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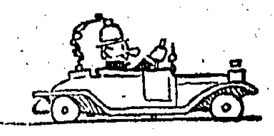

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WAR FORTUNES FLUCTUATE.

NATIONALISTS TAKE YANGCHOW BUT LOSE ANKING.

BIG OFFENSIVE PLANNED.

To-day's news from the Yangtsze is concerned mainly with further fighting between the forces of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and Marshal Sun Chuan-fang.

The Nationalists have crossed the river below Nanking and have taken the important town of Yangchow, but further up river, the Northerners have inflicted a local defeat and Anking has fallen into their hands.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is said to be organising for a big offensive in the region of Chinkiang.

Shanghai, May 6.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's forces have succeeded in crossing the Yangtsze about thirty miles down river from Nanking, and after a brief engagement captured Yanchow.

A Nationalist reverse is, however, reported in Anhwei where the Northerners successfully attacked near Anking and eventually captured this important city. Fighting is being resumed on a bigger scale than for several weeks.—*Naval Wireless.*

Preparing for Big Offensive.

Chinkiang, May 6.

The Southern forces are being marshalled for a big offensive judging by recent preparations. All troops have now vacated the British Concession, and an army of over 20,000 has been concentrated at Golden Island and to the westward of the island to a point opposite Shiherwhei.—*Naval Wireless.*

YANGTSZE QUIET.

Little to Report.

Nanking, May 6.

The guns at Lion Hill and Pukow were quieter to-day. It is reported that the Northerners have been defeated at Yanchow, which is on the north side of the Yangtsze.—*Naval Wireless.*

Wuhu, May 6.

Nothing has arisen from yesterday's incident, the town being very quiet. The garrison is very small.—*Naval Wireless.*

Kiukiang, May 6.

There is nothing to report, the situation being very quiet.—*Naval Wireless.*

DUTCH CRUISER LEAVES.

Ordered to East Indies.

The Hague, May 6.

The Dutch cruiser Sumatra has been ordered from Shanghai to the Dutch East Indies via Nagasaki.—*Reuter.*

SHANGHAI LOAN.

"Is Strictly Prohibited."

Peking, May 1.

Having obtained a report that General Chiang Kai-shek is planning to issue a loan of $30,000,000, Marshal Chang Tso-lin, General Chang Tsung-chang, and General Sun Chuan-fang have addressed a joint telegram to the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai, stating that they can by no means approve of the plan, and that subscription to the loan is strictly prohibited.

FOOCHOW QUIET.

Demonstrators Frightened.

Foochow, May 1.

May Day celebration here passed off rather quietly. As demonstration parades had been arranged in celebration of the establishment of the Government at Nanking as well as of May Day, some ten thousand people of various public organisations, besides labourers, were gathering at Nankungchang at about 8 o'clock in the morning. Just then, military officers, discovering a number of deserters among the crowd, fired at them with pistols, with the consequence that the attendants were all frightened away.

People began to gather again two hours later, but when they were on the point of marching in processional order, rain began to fall, which greatly dampened the enthusiasm of the people.

No handbills of a anti-foreign nature were distributed during the day.

YANGTSZE TENSION.

Hankow in Chaos.

The following Shanghai report, dated May 2, gives more fully some of the observations made by Mr. B. Lenox Simpson ("Putnam Weale"), a brief account of which was cabled by Reuter a few days ago:

Interviewed by Reuter, Mr. Simpson, who has returned to Shanghai from Hankow after two months up the Yangtsze, said that the position on Wednesday, April 27, was as follows.

In Hankow itself, the Nationalists were palpably nervous. The arrival of H.M.S. Vindictive and Carlisle had spread the report that the British were going to retake the British Concession, which was being evacuated by all Nationalist officials.

Meanwhile the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs—it was a misnomer, said Mr. Simpson, to call Mr. Eugene Chen "Minister"—was working overtime to try and convince the remnants of the foreign communities that the restoration of foreign trade was the main object of the Communist Party.

Exodus of Chinese.

An unceasing Chinese exodus was going on in every direction. British ships were leaving loaded down to their marks with merchandise, because every dealer was rushing to get every bit of produce away before the end came. The numbers of the foreign population left appeared to be 120 British, 60 Americans, 380 Japanese, 40 French, 20 Scandinavians and 220 Germans, the large number of Germans being explained by their women and children, but a German steamer had now arrived and was leaving shortly with many refugees.

All the foreign banks, Mr. Simpson added, were still closed in spite of the withdrawal of all Labour demands, the bankers stating that business was impossible with the embargo on silver, several also having received absolute orders to pay no strike wages.

International Settlement.

The Japanese in Hankow, Mr. Simpson said, strongly favoured the formation of an International Settlement of all the concessions in Hankow, together with the military garrisoning of Tortoise Hill at Wuchang and Hanyang Hill with foreign infantry and artillery detachments—which would mean that the keys of the middle river, would be in foreign hands and civil war would be rendered impossible in the region. They favoured an Anglo-Japanese military and naval agreement.

Ignorant Administrators.

Reverting to the former British Concession, Mr. Simpson said that the mixed Council under the Chen-O'Malley Agreement of the ex-concession was working badly and only a few days ago the three British Councillors had gone in a body to the British Legation representative, Mr. Newton, and asked that the agreement be abandoned as it was farcical for them to pretend to work with men who did not know the rudiments of municipal administration but thought the concession a "farm" like an opium farm or any other form of Chinese semi-official activity.

Dr. Sun's Will.

As a result of persuasion they had agreed to carry on for a few days longer but the end was not far off. One of the last propositions of the Chinese Councillors

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MURDER IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

CORPSE FOUND WITH MARKS OF VIOLENCE.

DISCOVERY BY VILLAGERS.

Within a week, another murder has occurred in the New Territories.

Early this morning, villagers from the hamlet of Kau Fu Kung Au, while going to the scene of their daily labours on the fields, came upon the body of an unknown Chinese lying at the roadside.

A number of wounds, apparently inflicted with some blunt instrument, showed how the man had met his death.

The body was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary, and the case is being investigated by the New Territories police.

OVER 300,000 FLOOD VICTIMS.

BIG TASK FOR AMERICAN RED CROSS.

Memphis, May 6.

The Tennessee Red Cross is assisting 323,837 people in the flood area, the largest number ever assisted by the Red Cross in America.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Seed For New Crops.

Vicksburg, May 6.

It is announced that the State Commission and Red Cross will jointly estimate the amount of seed required to re-sow the crops in the flooded area, which is 4,200 square miles in the State of Mississippi.

At a conference between the Red Cross and State officials, at which Mr. Hoover was present, G$500,000 was earmarked for the crop restoration work.—*Reuter's American Service.*

TAI WAN BAY.

MOTOR BUS SERVICE TO BEACH.

It is notified in the Government *Gazette* that a motor bus service from the Kowloon Star Ferry to the Tai Wan Bay beach will operate as from to-day until further notice:—

Monday to Friday inclusive.—Buses leave Kowloon Star Ferry every 15 minutes between the hours of 4.30 and 6 p.m.

Saturday, Sundays and Public Holidays.—Buses leave Kowloon Star Ferry every 15 minutes between the hours of 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Last bus will leave the bathing beach at 7.30 p.m. daily.

Fares.—1st Class, 20 cents single journey; 2nd Class, 10 cents single journey.

DOMINIONS STATUS IMPROVED.

DIRECT COMMUNICATION ARRANGED.

London, May 6.

Reuter learns that as a result of correspondence between London and the Dominions, July 1 has been fixed as the date for the proposed change in the channel of communications between the British Government and the Governors of the Dominions.

It is pointed out that the Governor General of the Dominions is His Majesty's personal representative, as opposed to the situation at the earlier stage, when the Governors were appointed by the London Government, and acted also as the latter's representatives.

It is now recognised that this practice might be regarded as no longer wholly in accordance with the constitutional position of the Governor General, and after July 1 communications between Government and Government will be direct in the case of any Dominion desiring it. Hence the Governor General will no longer represent His Majesty's Government in Britain.

The question of carrying out the Imperial Conference resolution regarding the development of closer personal touch between Britain and the Dominions and among the Dominions themselves, is at present under consideration.—*Reuter.*

UNDERWRITERS.

CHAIRMAN'S REVIEW OF PAST YEAR.

GROWING LIFE BUSINESS.

A comprehensive review of the past year's business of China Underwriters, Limited, was made by the Chairman, Mr. R. G. Shewan, at the third ordinary yearly meeting of the Company, which was held at the offices of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Co., Ltd., this morning.

Mr. Shewan, in addressing the shareholders, said:

Gentlemen,—We have now the pleasure to lay before you the Report and Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926, and, as these have been in your hands for the required period, I will, with your consent, take them as read.

As the Company is conducting business in many currencies both gold and silver, we have on this occasion converted all silver currency figures to dollars and all gold currency figures to sterling at the parities of exchange and then converted sterling to dollars at the rate of 1/11½d., the rate at 31st. December, 1926. The object of this is to secure some continuity in the accounts in future years, as the effect of using different rates throughout, according to the actual rate ruling at the 31st December, makes comparison difficult. The result of adopting the present basis of exchange instead of the basis adopted for last year's accounts is to show a book profit on exchange of $39,210, which we have carried to reserve as "Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account." In total, the value placed upon the Company's Investments is less than the value at market prices and current rates of exchange at 31st. December, 1926.

As we foreshadowed in our Report for 1925, our Life Department has grown to be the largest of our Departments, but I propose to deal with the working of the various Departments in the same order as on previous occasions.

Marine Losses.

With regard to the Marine Department, this reflects to some extent the unsatisfactory condition of the marine insurance market all over the world and the amount carried to the debit of Profit and Loss Account, after setting up $99,241, as reserve for unexpired risks, was $89,793. We have gone very carefully into the Company's marine business and the major portion of this debit arises from one source from which business was discontinued as far back as September last. The risks running off in this section, however, have continued to adversely affect the figures. With regard to the rest of the marine business the underwriting appears to be generally satisfactory, but, as the account is a small one, the incidence of one or two comparatively large claims materially effects the figures for the year under review.

As the prospect of any considerable expansion is not great in view of local conditions we have decided to restrict our maximum commitments in this Branch considerably. It is hoped and anticipated that this restriction and the discontinuance of the business before referred to will obviate the chance of a repetition of this loss.

Fire Department.

With regard to the Fire Department, the net premiums received during the year amounted to $85,771 and commissions received to $34,808, against premiums of $31,030 and commissions of $36,727, in 1925. The sum of $6,842 is carried to the debit of Profit and Loss, as compared with a debit of $3,988 in 1924 and a credit of $20,048 in 1925, so that from the Company's commencement, after setting up Reserves for unexpired risks of $32,391, the amount credited to Profit and Loss has been $9,209, which is not, at this stage, unsatisfactory. It is, of course, desirable that the Department should be expanded, and we are making all possible endeavours to effect this.

Life Department Increase.

Now, as regards our Life Department this has progressed more or less as anticipated and a satisfactory increase is shown in volume. The Premium Income

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POISONED DURING A SUPPER.

NINE CHINESE SUDDENLY COLLAPSE.

IN A SERIOUS CONDITION.

After partaking of a late supper, nine fokis of a pawnshop at No. 40, Hollywood Road, were suddenly attacked by pains symptomatic of poisoning, and collapsed.

A report was made to the Central Police Station, and at 12.30 this morning the motor-ambulance was sent to the shop, and took the men to the Government Civil Hospital.

On enquiries this morning, a *Telegraph* reporter learned that the men were in a serious condition from the effects of some poisonous substance which was present in the food they ate.

Samples of this food have been taken for analysis.

CHINA'S NATURAL RICHES.

FOREIGN CAPITAL WANTED.

Geneva, May 6.

At the Economic Conference, Mr. Chao, the Chinese delegate, made a lengthy statement in which he complained of the tariff restrictions under which China was suffering.

He claimed on behalf of China, freedom to decide her own economic policy, and declared that political and economic instability in China were mainly due to the delay in the abolition of the present restrictions.

He said that China needed capital to develop her unlimited natural resources, and the only solution of unemployment in China appeared to be to complete the industrialisation of China through foreign co-operation.—*Reuter.*

KIDNAPPED NEPHEW.

UNCLE IN COURT.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning with kidnapping his nephew.

The police stated that the boy was taken to Shekki and detained there until the night before last, when he was found by Chinese soldiers when a raid was carried out at the instance of the local Magistrate. He was taken to the Magistrate's Yamen and later turned over to a cousin who had gone up to Shekki to search for him.

On a police application, the defendant was remanded until next week.

APPOINTMENTS.

TWO MORE JUSTICES.

H. E. the Governor has appointed Mr. George Grimble to be a Member of the Licensing Board during the absence from the Colony of Mr. Walter Leslie Pattenden.

H. E. the Governor has appointed Mr. Geoffrey Robley Sayer and Mr. Roland Arthur Charles North to be members of the Board of Examiners.

H. E. the Governor has appointed Dr. John Russell Craig and Dr. Isaac Newton to be official Justices of the Peace for the Colony of Hongkong.

DISASTROUS GAS EXPLOSION.

FATALITIES IN NEW YORK DISTRICT.

New York, May 6.

Six people were killed and a score injured through the collapse of a house near East River, owing to an explosion of a gas tank in the neighbourhood bursting a water-main under the building.—*Reuter's American Service.*

TO-DAY.

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Bulls and Inners

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There is an unconfirmed rumour that a member of a Scottish regiment gave away six pounds recently. It was at a boxing tournament.

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Chiang Kai-shek intends to purge the Kuomintang. He is stated to have taken over the Epsom Salt Gabelle Administration.

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Now that Major Segrave has taken to motor boat racing, it is hoped that he won't find a sea grave.

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Golf is being played with much more spirit, now that Messrs. Caldbeck, Macgregor are rewarding the hole in one.

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Social Note: Miss.....is confined to bed with a chill having changed into summer garters during May.

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The court allowed Charlie Chaplin a month to answer his wife's complaint, which is just one month more than the average husband gets for the same purpose.

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It looks as if Coolidge will run again.

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Captain Mutton did not act like a lamb in the witness box at the Marine Court.

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A movement is afoot to amalgamate the Radio Society with the Rambler's Club, the new name being the Grumblers' Association, which is to be affiliated with the National Farmers' Union.

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The gentleman who lunched in a local hotel under hypnotic influence did not, we presume, absent mindedly forget to pay the bill.

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This week's stray bat from the belfry: "Why can't a man with lantern jaws see in the dark?"

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We are reminded that Wallace of "Maritana" fame was an Irishman with a Scot's name. This sort of thing must stop.

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This week's simile: "Like an ant looking for a meal at a Scotsman's wedding."

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China's burning question: "Which way will the revolution turn?"

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This week's golf hint: Beginners should always stay as long as possible on the green. This helps to make the green look more so.

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The open season for Cissy shirts commences to-day.

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Dr. Koo-koo has been appointed Commissar of Lunacy at Hankow.

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This week's motoring hint: Make sure the garage door is open before backing out.

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Shanghai is at present menaced with the yellow peril, the red menace and the blue laws.

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Bandits in China and Mexico are to have a conference next year.

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Last Saturday's *Telegraph* referred to a "Worm-driven car." Probably one of those people who splash mud over one's flannels.

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McWhirter said that if he won $64,000 in a sweepstake, he'd make sure of getting a bathe by buying a matshed.

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It is not true that the Bathing Beaches Committee have been offered free use of the V. R. C. bath this year.

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The chief trouble with these Chinese generals is that they represent too many conflicting ideas.

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Another Simile: "As full of nerve as a solicitor who asks his Worship to order the Press not to publish the names of witnesses."

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This weather is bad for tubergoloshes.

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Some men stay out so late at night that they can almost prove a lullaby.

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News has just reached the Colony that an Aberdeen man backed Oxford for a place in the Boat Race.

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If an epidemic of rabies struck China these days, one would never know the difference.

Now that we've heard all the military bands in the Colony, what about the City Hall fountain starting to play?

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The man who was stabbed in his bunk was lucky. He might have been stabbed in the heart.

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This war debts controversy reminds us that the correct answer is not a Mellon.

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That Common's scene looks like becoming a common scene.

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A man was fined this week for slaughtering a pig. It was a neighbour who squealed.

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The cleaning out of Bolshevists from the Peking Soviet Embassy recalls the fact that Revelations are always bound to come after Exodus.

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It looks as if America has had enough of bandits anyhow.

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"Taels current in China," says a heading. And nasty tales some of them are too.

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A Shanghai paper calls the new enfranchisement of British women. "Petticoat Rule." But isn't this a libel on modern fashions?

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McWhirter admits that figures don't lie but all the same he wishes that someone would provide him with statistics which prove that $65.00 is too much for a piece of felt with a feather in it just before Easter.

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A cabaret soprano disappeared while on her way to Egypt. It is thought she was killed while on the high C's.

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McWhirter says that anyhow the men will have one advantage this summer. There's still something left for them to take off.

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The Monroe Doctrine is a pact whereby American marines are precluded from having too much exercise.

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A newspaper heading we may expect some day! "Great Britain sends Chen Loving Cup."

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From a Telegraph article describing a new fire engine:—"In fighting a fire, the water hose is attached to the pump, one end leading to the hydrant and the free end spouting water." Now we know all about it!

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"He spent the week-end tying his new car."—From a serial story. We know the kind.

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Home Note:—The proper time to kill moths is after a heavy meal of flannel trousers.

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If the Chinese "boy" gets much more independent, some of us will soon have to be applying for jobs as masters.

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In reply to a Shanghai visitor, we would state that no town seems "narrow" to people who behave themselves.

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Beauty Note:—Buy a red bathing suit. They come out well in the photographs.

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A public park at Home has been "saved for posterity" according to a news report. Which reminds us that Hongkong's beaches have once again been saved for prosperity.

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A Shanghai cabaret advertises, "new ditties." Nudities, more likely.

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"Gold Fishes Fresh Eggs" reads a Kowloon notice. This must explain the diminutive size and fishy flavour of some boarding-house *oeufs!*

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Peculiarly appropriate is a quotation in a leading article in the *China Mail*. "Let justice prevail, said the Deemster in Hall Caine's famous book, even though the heavens fall." If memory does not fail, we recollect that the above sentiment was very neatly turned into Latin by—certainly not by Hall Caine! By all means let justice prevail.

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What will Mr. Dynasty do without his perspicassidy?

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PEKING DOCUMENTS.

LATEST HOME COMMENT.

London, May 6.

A plea for the speedy publication of the documents seized in the Peking Embassy compound raid is made by the *Times* which points out that any long delay in their publication will encourage the champions of the Soviet to accuse the Peking Government of forgery or tampering with captured correspondence, though to those who maintain their critical faculty the circumstances under which the documents were seized are likely to be regarded as a guarantee of their authenticity. "The Chinese are said to have many admirable conjurers but even they cannot produce hundred weights of documents from their sleeves."—*Reuter.*

Authenticity Denied.

Moscow, May 6.

M. Litvinoff interviewed regarding the Soviet documents allegedly seized in the Peking raid, declared that the lists published by the Ankuochun showed that most of the materials seized were the usual informatory reports to be found in the office of every military attache in any Legation in Peking.

He declared, however, that this in nowise proved the authenticity of all kinds of instructions which it is attempting to exhibit among materials seized, whereof it is emphasised the only document hitherto published, which was given to the *North China Standard*, bore all the signs of forgery including old spelling and a mass of gross mistakes.

He concluded asserting the existence of a broad plan of compromise by forgeries regarding the activity of Soviet agents in China in an attempt to worsen the relations of the Soviet and other Powers, particularly Japan.—*Reuter.*

One of the Documents.

Following is a translation of one of the documents taken by the Chinese from the office of the Bolshevist Military Attaches in Peking:

Very Confidential.

To the Military Attache in China.

Enclosing a resolution relating to the Chinese question carried by the VII plenary session of the Executive Committee of the Communist International, we communicate to you the following instructions which you will carry out.

(1) Every attention must at present be paid to lend the revolutionary movement in China an exclusively nationalistic character. To this end it is necessary to carry on propaganda in favour of the Kuomintang, as of the party of national independence of China. You may use the events at Hankow and the position taken up in consequence of them by England as a proof, firstly of the success of the nationalistic policy of the Kuomintang and, secondly, of the weakness of the European Powers in the struggle against the Chinese revolution.

(2) It is necessary to stir up territory occupied by the troops of Chang Tso-lin.

(3) It is necessary to discredit the activity of Chang Tso-lin, stigmatising him as a mercenary of the international capitalistic and imperialistic currents, who hinders the Kuomintang in its work of liberating China from foreign control.

(4) ..... (has been burned).

(5) The mass of the population *must by all means be stirred up* against the foreigners. To this end it is necessary to cause the foreign Powers to resort to repressive measures during public disturbances. In order to provoke the intervention of foreign troops, do not shrink before any measures even such as looting and wholesale massacre of foreigners. In case of collisions with foreign troops use these facts for propaganda.

(6) Be careful not to carry out at present the Communistic programme. This might strengthen Chang Tso-lin's position and further the split in the Kuomintang. Borodin has been strictly ordered to abstain from too strong pressure on the capitalistic elements in order to keep around the Kuomintang all classes of the population, including the bourgeoisie, until the downfall of Chang Tso-lin.

(7) While carrying out the present anti-foreign movement, it is most important to pressure the present antagonism among the Powers. It is especially important to isolate Japan, as the party able to move the largest number of troops into China. To this end strict attention must be paid that during any riots Japanese residents should not suffer. However, as regards propaganda, the exclusion of Japan might create an unfavourable impression. It is therefore necessary to carry on propaganda in the form of an anti-Bolshevik movement.

(The rest has been destroyed by the fire).

AVIATION.

FRENCH FLIER CONTINUES TRIP.

Paris, May 6.

Despite the Government's interdiction, M. Stroman left Senegal yesterday bound for St. Paul Rocks, 600 miles north of Pernambuco. It is unknown whether he re-converted the machine into a seaplane to comply with the French official conditions.

A Pernambuco despatch reports that Stroman is three hours overdue and fears are felt for his safety.—*Reuter.*

WAR DEBTS.

FRENCH OPINION.

Paris, May 6.

"The British Note caught the United States Government in the act of making a dishonest manoeuvre" declares *Le Journal*, congratulating Britain on her "Gesture" in regards to the Anglo-American debt. It declares that it has again been shown that it is not sufficient to draw up fantastic figures on paper to dispose of a debt problem.

Echo de Paris believes that Mr. Mellon's reply gives small hope of any change of heart in the United States on the question of debt revision in the near future.—*Reuter.*

NICARAGUA'S REVOLT.

LIBERAL GENERAL READY TO LAY DOWN ARMS.

Managua, May 6.

Despite the failure to reach an agreement with Mr. Stimson, General Moncada has announced that he is prepared to order the Liberal troops to lay down their arms, which he handed over to United States troops.

"It seems certain that the United States is prepared to take the field against us if fighting continues," declared General Moncada. He added "since the continuation of the Diaz presidency is essential to the United States programme we are able to resist but we are not signing any peace agreement bearing such a provision. We are forced by a greater power to cease fight but since peace will be the result we shall devote our efforts to helping to restore order so that the Liberals may gain honest control in the elections which will be supervised by the United States."—*Reuter.*

MEXICO'S PETROLEUM LAW.

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR INJUNCTIONS.

Mexico City, May 6.

Oil and legal experts declare that the final Supreme Court decision with regard to the constitutionality of the new petroleum law may be delayed by the decision mentioned on May 5. The experts point out that the companies may now file new applications in district courts for injunctions against the petroleum law, and then after the district courts have given a ruling thereon, may make fresh appeals, if necessary, to the Supreme Court.—*Reuter.*

[The message referred to states: The Supreme Court has revoked the partial amparos granted by the lower courts, restraining the federal authorities from enforcing the new land and petroleum laws in the case of nine foreign oil companies. The court rules that the district courts were only competent to grant or reject amparos as a whole, not partially as the district court has done in this case.

SOVIET ANNOYED.

MEASURES MODIFIED.

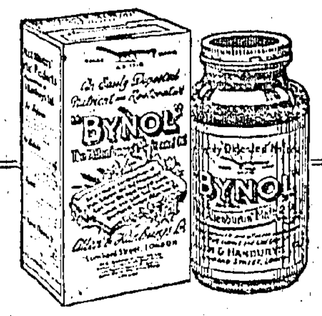
Geneva, May 6.

In consequence of the modification of the police measures for the protection of the Russian delegates, the incident is now considered closed. Russian scruples are surprised at the Swiss authorities who point out that they were merely fulfilling a duty in protecting the Soviets and that the measures were in nowise so stringent as at the Hague Conference, following the Geneva Economic meeting when the passage leading to the Russians' rooms in the Hotel was walled up.—*Reuter.*

MINISTER RESIGNS.

Cairo, May 6.

The American Minister at Cairo, Dr. Howell, is resigning from July 6.—*Reuter.*



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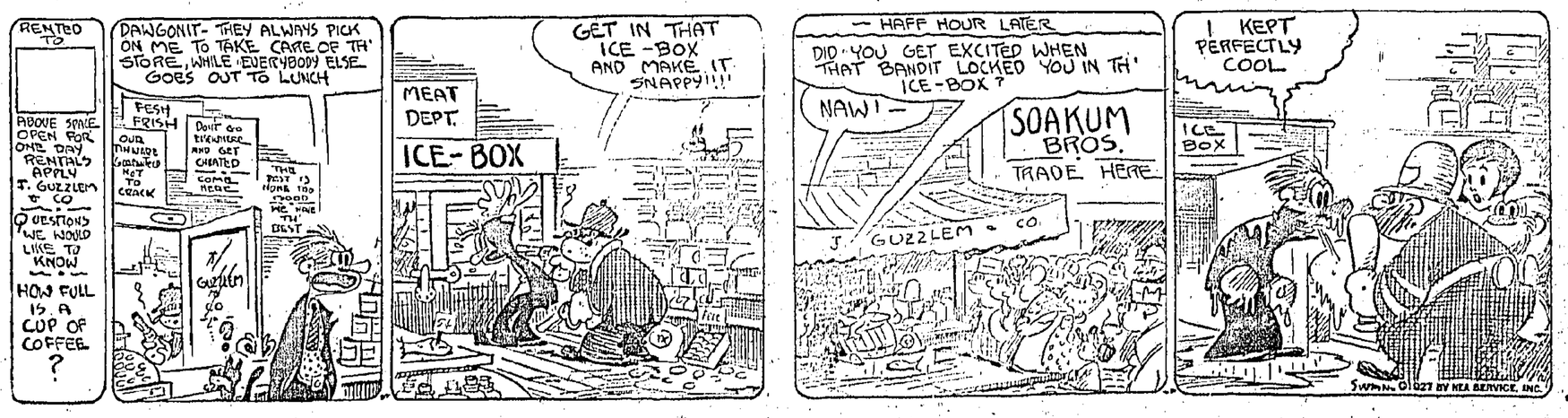

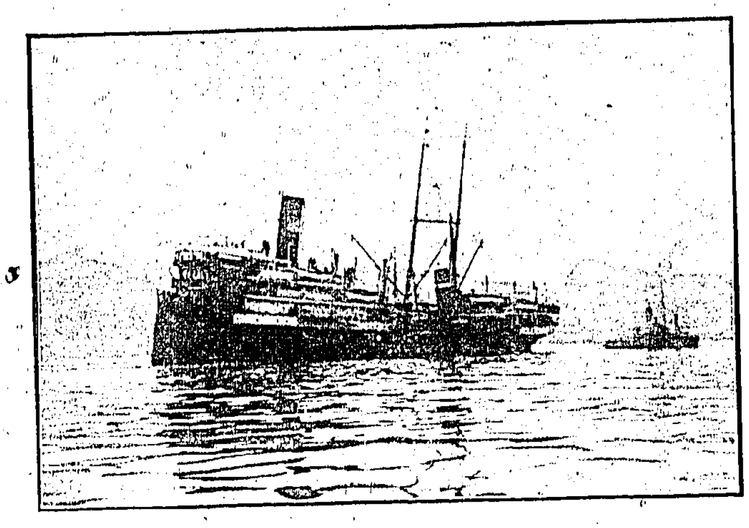

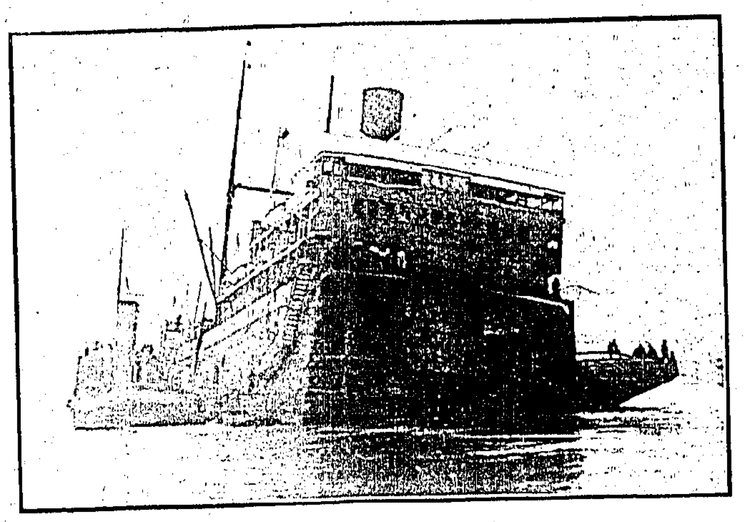

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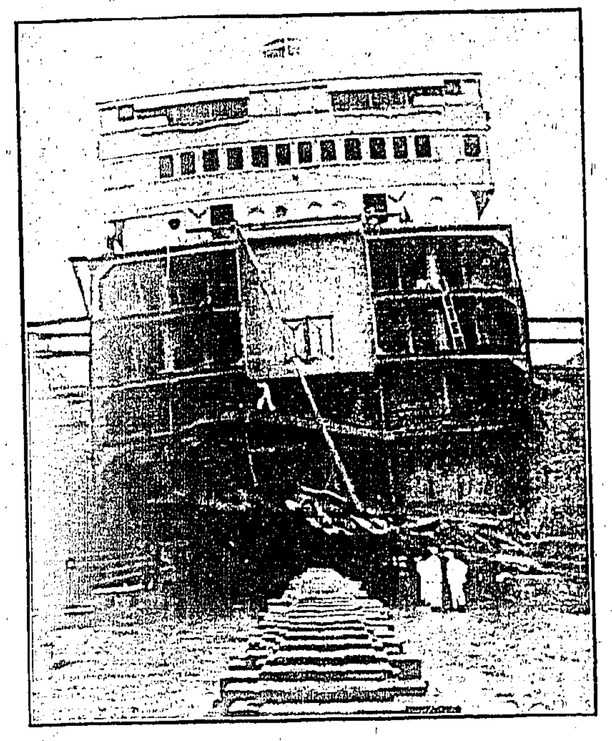
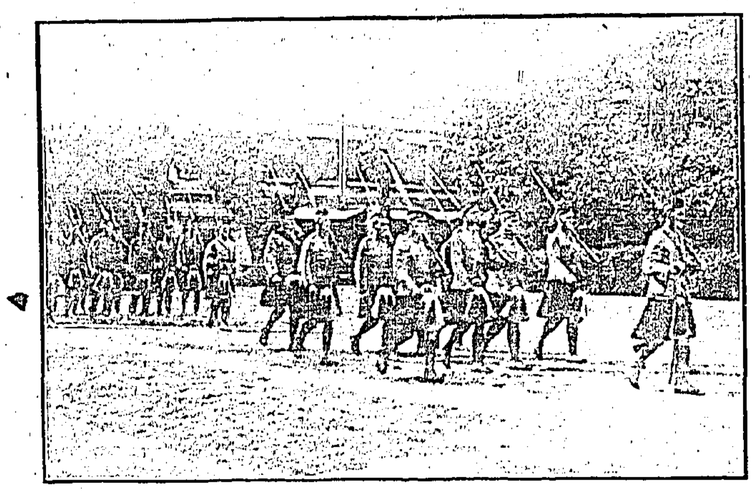


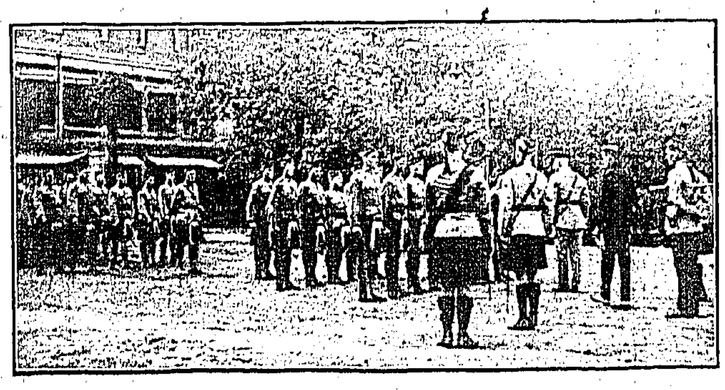
Above: A view of the salvaged Tjileboet, as she now lies in dry dock, at Taikoo.

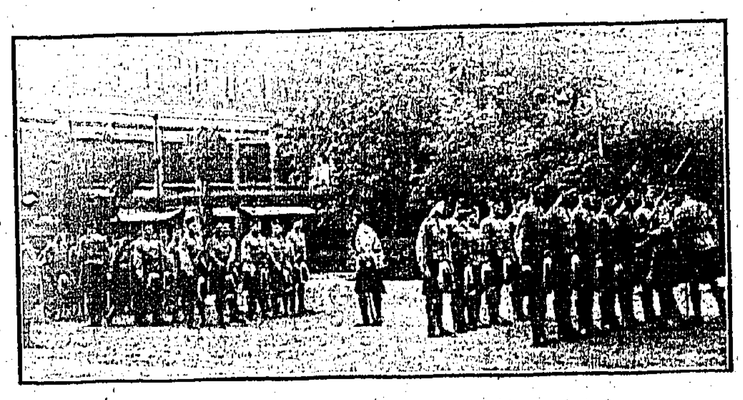
At left: Photographs taken at Quarry Bay School, on the occasion of the pupil's Spring Festival celebrations. (Photos: Ming Yuen).



Members of the Scottish Company, H. K. V. D. C., taking part in the Quarry Bay Cup Competition, held at Volunteer Headquarters, last Saturday. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

The Army team which won the Lai Wah Cup, being composed of Murdock, Leach, Sims, Lieut. Murray, Caveille, Ward, Everest, Rev. Mr. Alexander, McGlinchey, Trim and McLeod. (Photo: Fujuyama).





Two further photographs taken at last Saturday's Quarry Bay Cup Competition at Volunteer Headquarters. (Photos: Ming Yuen).

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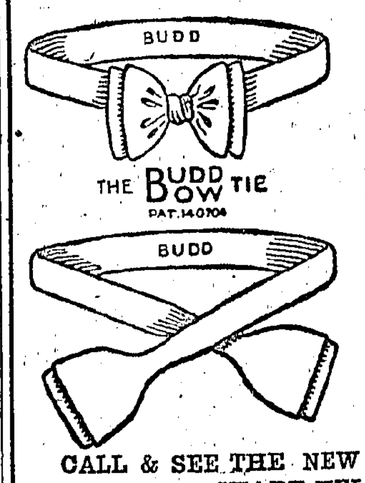

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THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices, on Saturday, the 21st of May, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st of December 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company wil be CLOSED from the 17th to 21st of May, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong 6th May, 1927.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that this office, having temporarily suspended business from 18th April by order from our Head Quarter, will resume its banking business as usual from the 9th May, 1927.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Forty-sixth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Tuesday, the 17th May, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1926.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 3rd to the 17th May 1927, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 26th April, 1927.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A General Meeting of Members will be held on MONDAY, the 16th May, 1927, at 4 o'clock in the CITY HALL, Hongkong, to nominate a Member of the Chamber for appointment to the Legislative Council for the usual term of four years, in succession to the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard. This nomination becomes necessary as the Hon. Mr. Bernard will be future remain a member of the Legislative Council as appointed by His Excellency the Governor.

Notice in writing of the Names of Candidates and their Proposers and Seconders to be lodged with the Secretary at least 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting.

By Order,

M. F. KEY,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th May, 1927.

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NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above named Company will be held at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. No. 18 Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong on the 10th day of May next at 12 o'clock noon for considering and, if thought fit, passing the sub-joined Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution.

That this meeting authorises the Directors to pay to the Executor of the late Sir Catchick Paul Chater, C.M.G. the "Managing Director's fees in suspense" shown in the Company's last Balance Sheet, which represent the proportion, calculated up to the date of his death, of the remuneration to which the deceased would have become entitled, if he had survived to the end of the year, under Article No. 95 (B) of the Articles of Association.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd May, 1927.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The Third Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 7th May, 1927, commencing at 2.30 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 2 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be $1.- for all persons including Ladies, Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

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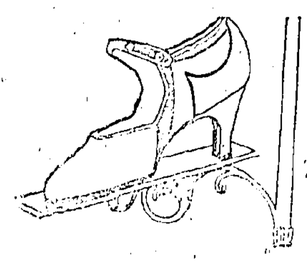
St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, May 8th, 1927. 3rd Sunday, after Easter. Holy Communion, 8 a.m. Choral. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Matins, 11 a.m. Preacher: Rev. H. Copley Moyle Subject: The Revised Prayer Book. Evensong, 6 p.m. Preacher: Rev. W. R. Cannell.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Queen's Road East, Wanchai (near Royal Naval Hospital) Sunday, May 8th, 1927. Services at 10.15 a.m., and 6 p.m. Preacher, Morning Service, Rev. H. S. F. Rossiter; Evening Service, Rev. J. C. Knight Anstey; Subject: "Why the Devil left." Sailors', and Soldiers' Home, Arsenal Street, (Corner House). Bible Class at 3 p.m., conducted by Mr. May; Chaplain's Meeting and Social Hour at 8.15 p.m.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Macdonnell Road, below Bowen Road. Service: at 11.15 a.m. Subject "Adam and Fallen Man." Wednesday: Evening Meeting at 5.30 p.m. Reading Room at above address open Tuesday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Monday and Thursday: 5 to 7 p.m. The Public is cordially invited to attend the Service and visit the Reading Room.



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Europe via Negapatam (letters only London 7th April)	Preussen	May 7.
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Australia and Manila	Tango Maru	May 20.
Japan	Mishima Maru	May 24.
Straits	Hakozaki Maru	May 29.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Swatow	Hangsang	Sat., May 7, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Kweiyang	Sat., May 7, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Preussen	Sat., May 7, 5 p.m.
*Swatow and Bangkok	Kalgan	Sun., May 8, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Sun., May 8, 9 a.m.
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Swatow	Liangchow	Mon., May 9, 5 p.m.
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Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haining	Tues., May 10, 1 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	D'Artagnan	Tues., May 10, 1.30 p.m.
Straits	Yuen Sang	Tues., May 10, 1.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Chenonceaux Registration Letters (Due Marseilles, June 10).	Tues., May 10. 1.45 p.m. 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Mingsang	Tues., May 10, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C. and Europe via Siberia	Parcels Empress of Asia Registration Letters (Due Vancouver B.C., 29th May).	May 10, 5 p.m. Wed., May 11. 9.15 a.m. 10 a.m.
Amoy	Fooksang	Wed., May 11, 5 p.m.
Straits	Cremer	Thurs., May, 12, 10 a.m.
Shanghai	Cheongshing	Fri., May 13, 5 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Laisang Parcels Letters	Sat., May 14. noon 1 p.m.
Formosa, Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *San Francisco and Europe via Siberia	Siberia Maru Registration Letters (Due San Francisco 10th June).	Sat., May 14, 4.15 p.m. 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Fushumi Maru	Mon., May 16, 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles	Calchas Registration Letters (Due Marseilles 17th June).	Tues., May 17, 1.45 p.m. 2.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, C. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kashima Maru Registration Letters (Due Marseilles 20th June).	Sat., May 21, 8.45 a.m. 9.30 a.m.
Japan	Tango Maru	Sat., May 21, 9.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Mishima Maru Registration Letters (Due Thursday Island 6th June).	Wed., May 25, 8.45 a.m. 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Hakozaki Maru	Mon., May 30, 10.30 a.m.

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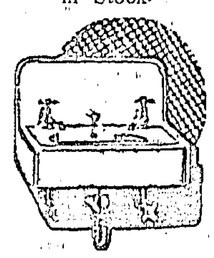

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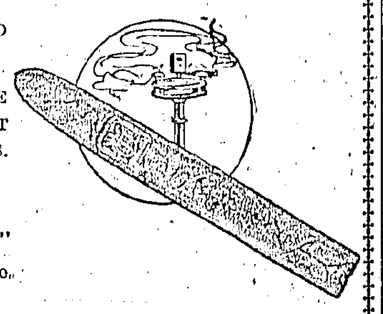

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Both are now lying in hospital in a critical condition. Mr. de Trafford had entered a first-class compartment of the train, when the Countess arrived on the platform and made a search of all the carriages. She found the one in which Mr. de Trafford was seated, and entered.

A loud discussion was heard going on in the compartment, when the train began to move slowly along the platform. The train had not proceeded any length, however, when it was stopped in response to the pulling of the communication cord.

It was discovered that the cord had been pulled in Mr. de Trafford's compartment, and when the carriage door was opened both he and the Countess were found to be suffering from revolver wounds.

Picked Up a Revolver.

Mr. Cals, Special Commissary at the railway station, was immediately summoned, and he entered the compartment, where he picked up a revolver which was lying on the floor of the carriage. The Countess remarked, "I shot —," and then fell back.

Mr. de Trafford merely pointed to the Countess. Stretchers were secured, and the two were removed to the Laibolsiere Hospital, where an operation was performed on each of them.

The railway coach in which the drama took place was sealed on its arrival at Boulogne, and sent back to Paris.

The crowd of people who were seeing friends off on the platform were unaware of the tragedy until their attention was drawn to it by the furious barking of a huge German sheep dog, which had to be muzzled before the carriage door conid be opened.

Met in Kenya.

The explanation of the drama probably lies in a last minute quarrel. The couple have been seen together in Paris society for some time since they first met in Kenya Colony, where the Count and Countess had gone with their two children for the benefit of the Count's health. They were building a house in Kenya, but the Count became very ill, and they had to return to Paris. The two victims of the drama were in each other's company as late as Friday last.

Although the Count has a residence at Neuilly, the Countess has not been living there lately, but has occupied an apartment in the Bois de Bologne. This apartment formerly belonged to the Count's mother, with whom are now the two children of the marriage.

The Countess, formerly Miss Alice Silverthrone, of Buffalo, and a niece of Mrs. Ogden Armour, of the well-known meat packing family, was one of the most popular debutantes of Chicago society. Her marriage was a great social event, and her connexion with a noble French family brought her numerous friends in French society.

It is stated that at the meeting last Friday Mr. de Trafford announced to the Countess his intention of breaking off once for all a friendship which had lasted for some time.

The Countess's chambermaid testified to the nervous condition of her mistress, following a long talk on Friday evening, and stated that Mr. de Trafford called upon her as late as Saturday afternoon to say he was going back to London immediately.

Condition of the Wounded.

At the Laiboisiere Hospital yesterday one of the doctors stated that it was very difficult to say anything definite for a day or two, but it was believed the wounds would not prove fatal in either case.

The bullet which hit Mr. de Trafford went across his chest from one side to the other, passing in the neighbourhood of the heart. The bullet which the Countess fired upon herself lodged in her abdomen, and was not difficult to extract.

An attendant on the train, who heard the shots fired and saw Mr. de Trafford fall, said a dog was tied to the handle of the door. As the discussion between the man and woman became more heated, the more furious became the dog. The attendant saw the man urging the woman to leave the train, but she was resisting his efforts, and just after the train started he heard two shots. He made a dash for the carriage, but was prevented from getting near it by the dog.

STORES AMALGAMATE.

WHITELEY'S AND SELFRIDGE'S JOIN.

Two of London's greatest stores, Selfridge's and Whiteleys, are shortly to be amalgamated.

It is officially announced that negotiations for the amalgamation of interests between the two companies have reached an advanced stage, and that a formal announcement will be made to the shareholders shortly.

London's oldest and London's newest stores, both of which have played prominent parts in the romance of trade, are thus about to come under common control.

The amount of capital involved in the proposed amalgamation of these two great West End stores run into several millions.

Whiteleys, the Universal Providers, of Queen's Road, Bayswater, W., were established in 1863 by the late Mr. William Whiteley, and was registered as a limited Company in 1898. The authorised and issued capital is £900,000. There are £900,000 4 per Cent. First Mortgage Irredeemable Debenture stock.

Selfridges, registered in 1908, had an authorised capital in £1 shares of £3,350,000. In addition there are 5 per Cent. First Mortgage Debentures, the amounts authorised being £400,000; issued, £396,000; and outstanding, £277,700.

"That is My Secret."

"Yes, it was I who shot him just as the train was about to leave. I had a sudden impulse to commit this rash act, and afterwards my only thought was to kill myself in my turn. I am very sorry for this unreasoning act."

This was the dramatic declaration made by the Countess de Janze to the special commissary of police who visited her in hospital yesterday afternoon, says a Central News message from Paris to-day. Questioned further as to the motives which prompted her act, the Countess said:—"That is my secret. You are asking me something I cannot answer. Please do not ask me now."

Mr. Raymond de Trafford refused to receive the police commissary or answer any question, and he was not pressed owing to his condition. He even declined to receive an Embassy official, who called on behalf of his family.

The only visitor was an English major, who arrived in Paris by aeroplane. The major, who is an old friend of the family, was by Mr. de Trafford's bedside for a few minutes, and his presence was very comforting to the injured man. The major was able to tell his friend of the imminent arrival of his brother, Captain Humphrey de Trafford.

Unless hemorrhage supervenes from the operation to extract the bullet from Mr. de Trafford's chest, it is believed that he will recover.

The Countess is not so seriously injured, but she is in a state of intense mental distress, and this is hampering her recovery. Both are in an extremely weak state.

Mr. Joseph du Viver, an American lawyer, is acting on behalf of the Countess. He states that a separation between the Count and his wife was on the point of being arranged.

The Countess's dog, which played a dramatic part in the train drama, is stated by the *New York Herald* to have gone mad yesterday in the absence of its mistress. Some friends of the Countess are coming over from London to take charge of the animal in the hope of saving its life.

An Improvement.

London, March 29.

I was informed at the Laribosiere hospital this evening that there has been a very slight further improvement to-day in the condition of both Mr. de Trafford and the Countess de Janze, writes the *Daily Chronicle* Paris correspondent.

Mr. de Traffod was shot in a railway carriage at the Gare du Nord on Saturday by the Countess de Janze, who afterwards shot herself with a heavy revolver.

A charge of attempted homicide against the Countess is in course of preparation, says the Central News.

Further questioned as to her version of the shooting, the Countess said: "I take all the responsibility upon myself. I bought the revolver an hour before going to the station, and my servant accompanied me to the gunmaker's to buy it.

"It was a moment of madness quite incomprehensible, as Mr. de Trafford had promised to come back to Paris again next week. When I fired I only thought to wound my friend. I had no thought of killing him."

Judging from the course which the bullet took in Mr. de Trafford's body the shot was fired while the Countess was actually embracing him when saying good-bye.

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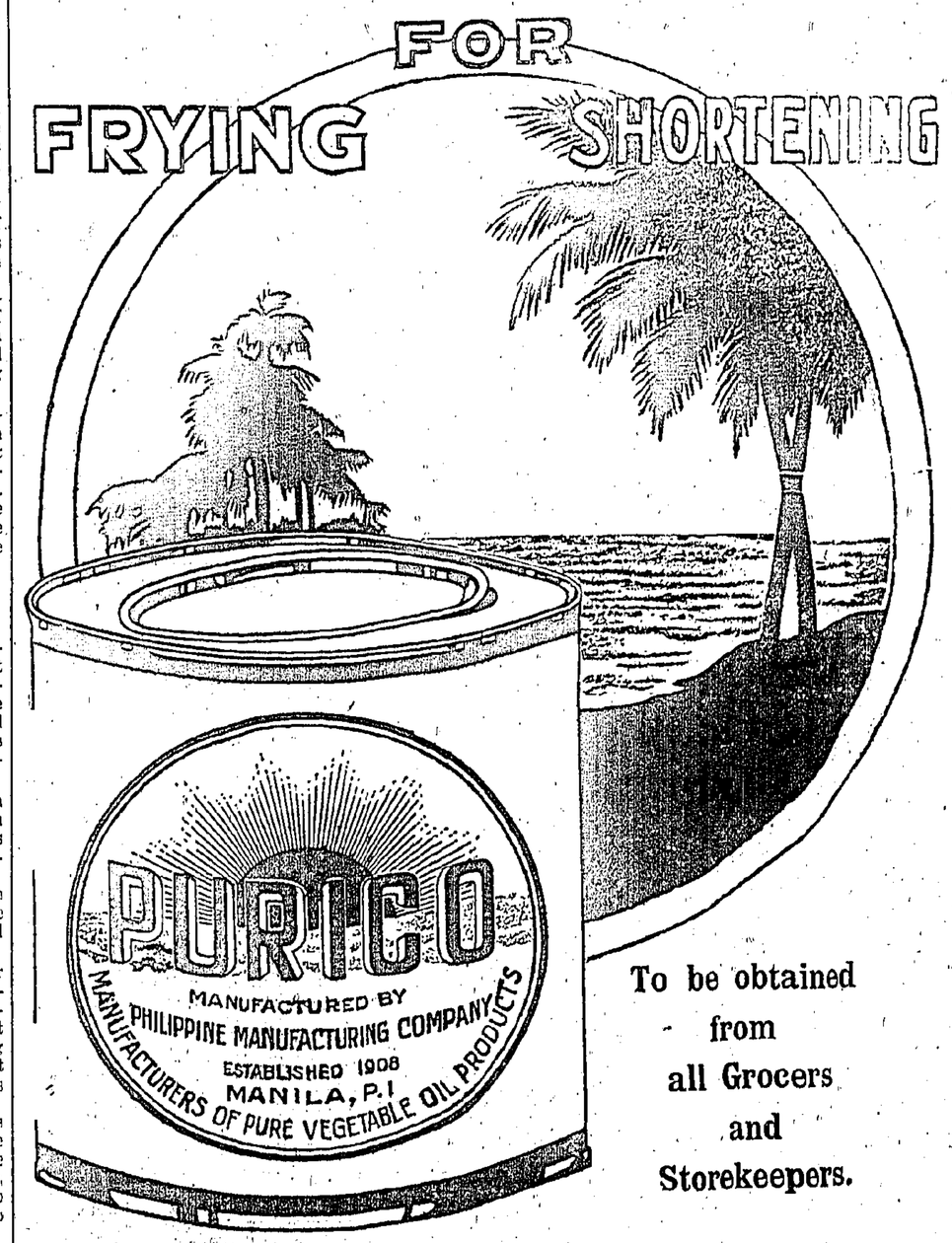

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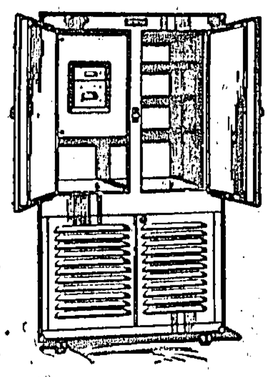

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A GREAT TRIP.

DR. ALISON'S EXPERIENCES IN THE EAST.

"The great trip has gone on at such a pace, one might about as reasonably ask a spectator to write a description of a film while it is passing before his eyes."

In these terms, Dr. Alison, late headmaster of George Watson's College, offers the editor of *The Watsonian* his apology for not being able to more fully describe his world tour to date. His letter is dated from Cawnpore.

You have heard something of our visit to the American continent, where Watsonians seem to be spread very thickly from New York to Vancouver, but nothing of what happened afterwards, writes Dr. Alison.

Well, our ship's first trans-Pacific port of call was Yokohama, where there was no Watsonian. Before we reached that port I received a wireless mesage inviting us to dine in the Yokohama Club with six Edinburgh school boys, an invitation which we most gladly accepted. The schools represented were Fettes, Heriot's, the Institution, Royal High School, and Gillespie's, and it touched me to find myself adopted by this genial band of exiles as their own old headmasters would have been.

It was a fine example of the spirit of good comradeship and good sportsmanship that exists among the Edinburgh schools.

Next morning we had a view by daylight of the city of ruins caused by the earthquake two or three years ago. After a day's railway journey we reached Kyoto, the ancient capital, and visited its palaces and temples. Here we heard a Japanese play.

It was a tragedy, for at the end of the last act the stage was fairly littered with corpses.

In Kobe, where we rejoined our ship, we dined with three Watsonians and three other Edinburgh boys.

In Shanghai and Hongkong we met hosts of friends and had a most royal reception. There was a somewhat nervous atmosphere about Shanghai, but that did not prevent our hosts from showing us all that was to be seen both in the city and beyond it.

In Hongkong.

From Hongkong we made a very interesting trip to Canton, where we spent a day and a night with W. Stratton, the manager of the Canton-Kowloon Railway. The Chinese soldiers, who had been earlier a grave danger to everybody because of their lack of discipline and their looting propensities, were apparently well in hand, and marched about in a quite orderly fashion.

In Malaya we saw rubber and tea estates and tin mines, and met a large number of enthusiastic Watsonians in Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, Ipoh, and Penang.

Our next visit was to Ceylon and its rubber and tea and cocoanut plantations. After an interesting dinner in Colombo we visited the ruins of Anamadapura, and the Peradimja Gardens and the temple of Buddha's tooth at Kandy.

A railway journey of thirty-six hours took us to Madras, where we spent one day and saw Fort St. George, which contains the oldest English church in India, and visited the Aquarium, and dined with five Watsonians.

The voyage to Rangoon took three pleasant days, and then began a most interesting tour through Burmah; to Manadalay by rail and back by steamer down the Irrawady, visiting the Burmah Oil Company's field at Yenang Young, and being shown over it by two Watsonians. On our return to Rangoon we visited the B.O.C. refinery—again under the guidance of Watsonians—and the Arracan Rice Mill.

Since coming to India we have seen tiger and crocodile shooting, a native tribal dance, acrobats, jugglers, and snake charmers. We visited the homes at Kalimpong, and saw the Himalayas from Darjeeling.

We had a great dinner at Calcutta, and now that we have seen the historic places in Benares, Cawnpore, and Lucknow we go on to-morrow to Agra.

My friend, Mr. J. B. Clark of Herriot's, is here with his family, and we have explored Cawnpore and Lucknow together.

Knitted dress articles produced in Tientsin, such as underwear, sweaters, stockings, hats, gloves and scarves, not only supply the local demand, but also find markets in the outports. On account of their cheapness these native products complete successfully with foreign goods on the Tientsin market, displacing all imported articles, with the exception of some of high manufacture. Accurate statistics about these knitting factories are not available, but according to a report of the Chihli Commercial Bazaar there were 27 knitting factories in Tientsin in 1923, employing a total of 845 workmen. A later report compiled by the Industrial Bureau of Tientsin district showed 21 knitting factories in the autumn of 1926, employing a total of 426 workmen. The knitting industry of Tientsin is still in the household stage; even the so-called factories are equipped with no more than a few machines and employ merely a few apprentices.

IRISH UNREST.

"BRUSH" WITH ARMED AND MASKED MEN.

Free State troops had an exciting encounter near Dublin recently with a party of armed and masked men.

A semi-official statement gives the following account of the affair:

A relief guard, consisting of a sergeant, corporal, and nine men, returning to its quarters from Tallaght Camp, which is at present unoccupied, was ambushed about 10.30 a.m. by about 25 armed and masked men.

The road at Kimmage, where the ambush occurred, is a winding one, bounded by high stone walls. When the leading file of the relieved guard, numbering four men, rounded a bend they were pushed off their bicycles and disarmed. The remainder of the guard were covered from the top of the wall by the attackers.

The last file of the guard, seeing what happened in front, opened fire. The troops had some difficulty in dismounting and taking their rifles from the carriers, but they managed to bring fire to bear on the attackers and caused them to decamp. Private Thomas O'Shaughnessy was slightly wounded in the ankle. He is progressing favourably in hospital.

One of the attackers in position on the wall was hit. Most of the attackers got away in waiting cars during the exchange of fire. The attack was apparently organised on a fairly large scale with a view to disarming the entire guard.

At 11.10 a.m. Commandant Weddick, Portobello Barracks, proceeded to Kimmage Upper Road and put out search patrols. A car was held up and searched by C.I.D. men who found a revolver and ammunition under the seat. The four occupants of the car were arrested and taken to the Bridewell in Dublin.

Motor Cars Across Road.

According to the *Westminster Gazette* the soldiers when they reached Kimmage, found two motor cars drawn across the road. After firing a number of shots the ambushers jumped from their hiding places and disarmed four of the soldiers. Another soldier following as a connecting file between the advance section and those who came after turned about in the road and was fired at by the masked men.

Although hit in the leg he jumped off his bicycle and kept up a steady fire against the attackers until his comrades came up.

Then a pitched battle ensued, the ambushers getting the worst of it. They retired over the grounds of a college, leaving bloodstains on the grass. They were harassed by a heavy fire from the soldiers.

Dr. Murphy, of Dublin, who was motoring to the Wicklow Hills for a day's fishing, was, with three companions, held up the gunmen and put against a wall. They were told if they moved they would be shot.

When the shooting began all four managed to get away to a house near by.

Exciting Scenes in Tipperary.

A serious revival of agrarian disturbances is reported from Co. Tipperary, says the *Times* Dublin correspondent, where exciting scenes were witnessed. Recently the Free State Land Commission acquired 3000 acres of the Loran estates, midway between Roseres and Templemore, and decided to distribute the land among landless men. It allotted certain holdings to families from other parts of the country, to the intense annoyance of the local inhabitants, who demanded that they alone should share the distributed land.

When the new tenants arrived, the local people organised a big demonstration. Having mobilised all the available young men, they marched with several bands to the Loran estate, where they proceeded to maltreat the so-called usurpers. At first they confined their activities to booing and insulting remarks, but afterwards theid indignation broke all bounds and they drove the unfortunate people from their farms, handling them severly.

While these disturbances were in progress, news was conveyed to the Civic Guards at one of the neighbouring towns, with the result that a substantial force of police was hurried to the scene in motor lorries. Their arrival put a stop to the demonstration, and after a short struggle, sixteen of the rioters were arrested. They were taken by motor lorry to Limerick, where they will be placed on trial.

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GERMAN DISCIPLINE.

EXECUTIONS THAT HELPED MUTINY.

In view of the debate in the House of Commons on the death penalty in the British Army it is of interest to note (says the Berlin correspondent of the *Manchester Guardian*) that during the Great War the death penalty was not inflicted in the German Army, or, if it was, was kept an absolute secret not only from the troops but ever since.

Death sentences were passed on German sailors after the so-called naval mutiny in the year 1917. This mutiny, although greatly exaggerated by the Press and not in the least inspired by seditious or traitorous motives, was a serious symptom. Four sailors were sentenced to death, but under the pressure of liberal opinion two sentences were commuted to imprisonment.

Two of the sentences were carried out. The sailors Koebes and Reichpletsch were shot, and are now looked upon as martyrs by the German Labour movement. Their deaths promoted rather than checked the movement which more than a year later became revolutionary. The inquiry which is now being conducted by a Reichstag Committee into the causes of the naval mutiny of 1917 (the two men whose sentences were commuted gave very impressive evidence last Friday) has shown beyond doubt that the two executions were a blunder.

As for the German Army, as far as is known, no German soldier was shot for "cowardice and desertion in face of the enemy," although cases of cowardice and desertion were probably neither more nor less frequent in the German Army than in the British (at least not until the final disintegration of the German forces, beneath the double stress of starvation and obviously irrevocable and total defeat.)

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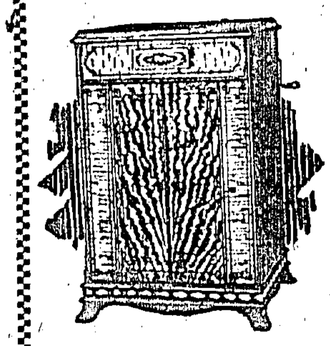

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R. A. SPORTS.

GOOD LONG DISTANCE TIMES RECORDED.

The R. A. Sports meeting concluded yesterday, with the going a bit on the heavy side owing to a heavy downpour of rain in the earlier part of the day. The times recorded over the longer distances were remarkably good however, and there was keen rivalry between the various units for the honour of being the Champion Battery, this eventually falling on the 38th Battery, the Sergeant Major of which (B. S. M. Brice), was chaired when he came forward to receive the prize on behalf of his unit. Gunner Philpott was the individual British champion.

The prizes were distributed by Mrs. Russell, the wife of Col. Russell, C. R. A., to the British winners, and by Mrs. Robinson to the Indian winners, at the conclusion of the sports. They were presented with bouquets at the conclusion of the function.

Following are the results of the British events:

100 Yards Flat Race.—1, Gnr. Rodger; 2, L. Bdr. Sharland; 3, Gnr. Philpott. Time, 11-2/5 secs.

Putting the Shot.—1, Gnr. Cotton; 2, L.-Bdr. Hall; 3, Gn. Philpott. Distance, 30 ft. 3-1/2 ins.

High Jump.—1, Gnr. Bellerby; 2, L.-Bdr. Hall; 3, Sgt. Leach. Height, 5 ft. 5 ins.

220 Yards Flat Race.—1, Gnr. Philpott; 2, L.-Bdr. Rogers; 3, Gnr. Sharland. Time, 25-4/5 secs.

Long Jump.—1, L.-Bdr. Davey; 2, L.-Bdr. Smith; 3, Sgt. Leach. Distance, 17 ft. 7-1/2 ins.

One-half Mile Flat Race.—1, Gnr. Bowden; 2, Gnr. Doe; 3, L.-Bdr. Davey. Time, 58-2/5 secs.

Boat Race.—1, Gunner Pascoe's team; 2, Gunner Murphy's team; 3, Sgt. Cook's team.

One Mile R. A. Race.—1, Gnr. Newman; 2, Gnr. Goodridge; 3, Cpl. Howard.

Boys' Race, 80 Yards.—1, A. Hargreaves; 2, T. Hutchings; 3, C. Lindsay.

One-half Mile Flat Race.—Gnr. Maddocks; 2, Gnr. Doe; 3, Gnr. Newman. Time 2 min. 19-4/5 secs.

Girls' Race.—1, Betty Wood; 2, Phyllis Moore; 3, Elsie Hunt.

Threading the Needle.—Sgt. and Mrs. Jolly; 2, Q. M. S. and Mrs. Moore; 3, Sgt. and Mrs. Gownell.

One Mile Race, Open.—1, Pte. Tiernan; R. A. M. C.; 2, Pte. Cranston, K. O. S. B.; 3, Lieut. Stafford, H. M. S. Stormeloud. Time, 4 mins. 56 secs.

One-half Mile Relay Race, R.A.—1, 13th Battery; 2, H. Q. and D. E.; 3, 12th Battery.

Warrant Officers', Staff Sergeants', and Sergeants' Race.—1, Sgt. Hutchings; 2, B. S. M. Bennett; 3, Sergeant Cook.

Obstacle Race.—38th Battery.

Egg and Spoon Race.—1, Mrs. Hunt; 2, Mrs. Moore; 3, Mrs. Lindsell.

Officers' Race.—1, Major Scovil; 2, Col. Russell.

One Mile Relay Race.—1, 38th Battery; 2, D. E.; 3, 23rd Battery. Time, 4 min. 16 1/5 secs.

One Mile Relay Race Open.—1, K.O.S.B. "A" Team; 2, K.O.S.B. "B" Team; 3, H. K. Volunteers. Time, 4 min. 6-3/5 secs.

Band Race.—1, Bandsman Stokes; 2, Bandsman Higgs; 3, Band Sgt. Ware.

220 Yards Consolation Race.—1, Gunner Jobe; 2, Gnr. Pellew; 3, Sgt. Eagles.

100 Yards Consolation Race.—1, Sgt. Glazebrook; 2, Gnr. Miles; 3, L.-Bdr. Smith.

In the Tug of War for the 130 Stone Class the 23rd Battery beat the 38th Battery by two pulls out of three; and in the 110 Stone class the result was reversed, the 38th Battery winning by two pulls to one secured by the other Battery.

LAWN TENNIS.

TO-DAY'S LEAGUE MATCHES.

There are several League matches down for this afternoon, the full programme being:

A. Division.

Chinese v. Hongkong C. C.; Kowloon v. Indians; University v. United Services.

B. Division.

Chinese v. Hongkong C. C.; Indians v. Kowloon; United Services v. Nippon; M. B. K. v. Recreio; Royal Engineers v. University; South China v. Craigengower.

C. Division.

Hongkong C. C. v. Chinese; Kowloon v. Nippon; Craigengower v. Recreio; Kowloon v. South China; Taikoo v. R. A. O. C.

H.K. and S. Bank v K.C.C.

The following will represent the H. K. and S. Bank in a tennis match against the K. C. C. on Sunday afternoon; J. Hall and C. H. Eldridge, J. D. Milne and W. J. Sutherland, J. H. Sutcliff and F. H. Swayne, N. H. Prockter and R. A. Jardine, O. J. Shannon and H. V. Parker.

ENGINEER CO. AT DINNER.

FUNCTION AT VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS.

The annual dinner of the Engineer Company, H.K.V.D.C., was held at the Volunteer Headquarters last night when the guests included Col. C. Russell Brown, C.R.E., Lieut. Col. L. G. Bird D.S.O. (Commandant H.K.V.D.C.) Major R. A. Wolfe-Murray V.C., D.S.O., (Adjutant) Lieut. Col. MacIntosh R. E., Major Alabaster R. E., Capt. A. C. D. Brownjohn R.E., Capt. A. C. Bridgeland and 2nd. Lieut. R. Hancock.

Officers of the Company present were Major R. M. Smith, O.B.E., O.C. Company., Lieut. Syme-Thomson, 2nd. Lieut. R. S. Logan, and 2nd. Lieut. M. G. Noll.

Proposing the toast of the visitors, Major Smith said the Company appreciated to the fullest extent the assistance which the engineers gave them. At the present time the Volunteers were engaged in numerous branches of engineering work, and when they got in a hole they went to the engineers who gave them all the assistance wanted.

Excellent Co-operation.

Col. Russell Brown, in reply, spoke of the excellent co-operation between civil, military and other engineers and said that during the last two months the engineers had done a considerable amount of work in the Colony. They thought a few weeks ago that the number of military engineers in the Colony would be considerably increased but the majority of those arriving here had since flown away to Shanghai. However, a large number would arrive in the Colony in ten days or so.

Col. Russell Brown said it was probably the last Engineer's dinner he would attend in Hongkong, and mentioned that he was present at the dinner in 1900.

Shooting Awards.

The prizes won in the following competitions were then distributed by Col. Russell Brown.

Musketry Competition. Without handicap. 1st. C.S.M. R.J. Everest, 2nd. Cpl. A.W.W. Salter. With handicap. 1st. Spr. S.C. Salter, 2nd. Acting S.M., T. W. Carr.

Francis Cup. Without handicap. 1st. C.S.M. Everest, 2nd. Major R.M. Smith, O.B.E. With handicap. 1st Cpl. D.E. Weston, 2nd. Spr. F.C. Morgan.

Rapid Competition, 1st. Spr. J.H. Bottomley, 2nd. Spr. K.S. Robertson.

Company Championship. Without handicap. Grand total, C.S.M., R.J. Everest (170 points). With handicap, Spr. S.C. Salter (153 points) Hidden prizes: Cpl. E.S. Carter and Spr. C.W.E. Bishop.

After the toast to the guests the Company enjoyed an informal concert.

The committee responsible for the dinner was composed of Lieut. M. G. Noll, C.S.M. T. W. Carr, S/Sergt. G. T. Padgett, Sergt. W. H. Owen, Corpl. E. S. Carter, Spr. J. Bottomley, Spr. C. W. E. Bishop and Spr. W. L. Walker.

TRADE UNION BILL.

CLAUSE I.

Chief among the Government amendments to the Trade Union Bill is the virtual re-drafting of clause one declaring a strike illegal if it has any object besides the furtherance of a trade dispute within an industry wherein the strikers are engaged, and is designed and calculated to coerce the Government directly or by inflicting hardship on the community. It further forbids the application of any sums for the furtherance of such a strike.

An addendum to the same clause proclaims the illegality of lock-outs in the similar terms.—*Reuter.*

PEAK CHURCH.

MEMORIAL WINDOW TO MR. AND MRS. BOWDLER.

The erection of a memorial window to the late Mr. and Mrs. Bowdler, again came up for discussion at the annual meeting of the worshippers at the Peak Church, held in the vestry of St. John's Cathedral Hall. Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar presided and others present were, Sir Henry and Lady Pollock, Mr. Justice Jacks, Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie, Rev. H. Copley Moyle (Hon. Secretary), Rev. W. R. Connell, Mr. and Mrs. W. Jackson and Mr. D. E. G. Nicholson (Hon. Treasurer).

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and passed.

Lady Pollock referred to the disposal of the old hymn books at the Cathedral, asking that they be rebound and used at the Peak Church. It was stated that the Peak Church would be supplied with 30 books.

The accounts, showing a balance of $566, were also put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

The committee for the ensuing year was elected as follows:

Trustees,—Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar, Mr. P. Jacks and Mr. W. L. Pattenden; Committee,—The Trustees, The Bishop of Victoria, The Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie, Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Dr. J. H. Sanders, The Rev. H. Copley Moyle (Hon. Secretary), Mr. D. E. G. Nicholson (Hon. Treasurer), Lady Pollock and Mrs. J. R. Wood.

The question of erecting a memorial window to the late Mr. and Mrs. Bowdler, was brought up for discussion. At the previous meeting it was decided that although the window should be put in, it was advisable to wait a year until the finances of the church improved.

It was intimated that last year it was agreed that £100 should be utilised for that purpose, but it was discovered that £210 would be required.

Sir Henry Pollock asked where it was proposed that money should come from, to which the chairman replied that there seemed to be a feeling that part of the money left by Mrs. Bowdler should be spent on the window. Personally he was not in favour of the idea. The money was left as an endowment and not for the erection of a window.

After some discussion, Rev. Mr. Copley Moyle suggested that some friends of Mrs. Bowdler be approached and asked to make up the difference. There were certain friends, he said, who would give something rather than see the scheme put off indefinitely.

It was then decided to leave the matter in the hands of Mr. Copley Moyle, who should report to the committee what success he met with.

Rev. Mr. Copley Moyle then brought up the question of whether the committee, after receiving the report, had power to carry on with the scheme.

A motion was then put forward by Mr. Justice Jacks that the committee have power to proceed with the scheme if sufficient funds were raised without touching the $1,000 on fixed deposit.

Lady Pollock mentioned that certain minor repairs were necessary to the walls of the Church.

The meeting then closed with prayer.

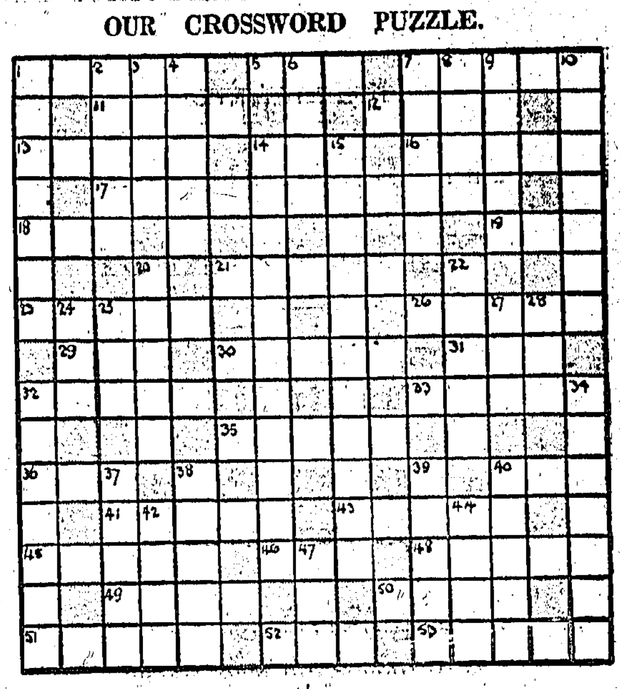
THE NANKING AFFAIR.

DOUBT GROWING AS TO WHAT WILL BE DONE.

Peking, May 6.

It is believed that the next development regarding the Nanking outrages must occur among the chancelleries, not in Peking, but doubts are growing as to whether anything further will be done, in which case, as a well-known foreign official declared this morning the only question will be when and where the next anti-foreign outrages will occur.—*Reuter.*

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Across.

1 Indian trooper.
5 Light tap.
7 Endures.
11 Dry.
12 Stare.
13 Has ascended.
14 Anger.
16 Taut.
17 Overseers.
18 Be in debt.
19 Consume.
21 Musical play.
23 Hard husk.
26 Domestic utensil.
29 Exists.
30 Nip.
31 Conjunction.
32 Austere.
33 Rain and snow.
35 Bullock.
36 Part of a circle.
40 Magpie.
41 Coral island.
43 Pertaining to the navy.
45 Centre.
46 Affirmative reply.
48 Narrative poems.
49 Otherwise.
50 Irish.
51 Large spoon.
52 Turkish weight.
53 Covered chair.

Down.

1 Regrets.
2 Squander.
3 Level space.
4 Wash lightly.
6 An air.
7 Afterwards.
8 One who mimics.
9 Faculty.
10 Make agreeable.
14 At once.
15 Shields.
20 Watchful.
22 Gems.
24 Headware.
25 Before.
27 Unit.
28 Poem.
32 Dog.
34 Treachery.
37 Beaten with a cane.
38 Common furze.
39 Asserts.
40 Worked.
42 Inform.
44 Semi-circular projection.
47 Deer.

Yesterday's Puzzle.

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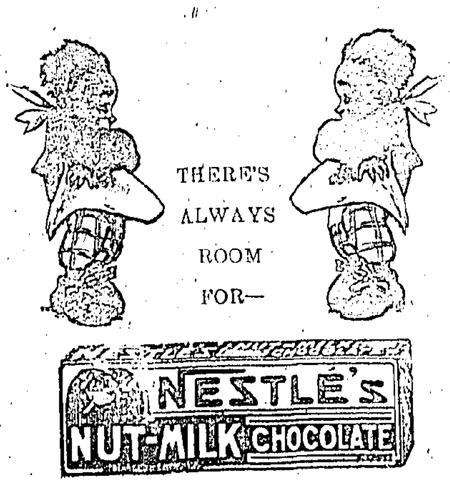

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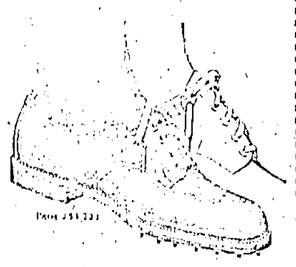

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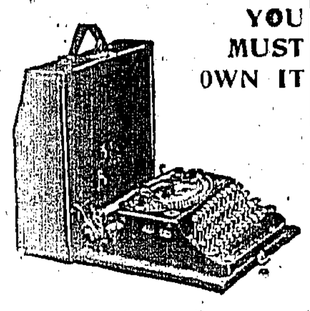

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SATURDAY, MAY 7, 1927.

BANDIT SUPPRESSION.

The document which we reprinted yesterday from the *Canton Gazette*, outlining a scheme for the suppression of bandits throughout the province of Kwangtung, was a typically all-embracing kind of manifesto, to which we have long since become used. Nearly every new Commander appointed in Canton sets out with great gusto to convince everybody around him that he is at last going to rid the province of the bandit evil, and a long and elaborate statement is usually made. But little else follows, as a rule, though we hope that in the case of General Hsu Ching-tang, the latest author of a bandit-suppression scheme, there will be a little more actual suppression than has been the rule hitherto. There can be no doubt that lawlessness and bandit outrages are still far too rife in a Province which is supposed to be under a new and enlightened rule, and if General Hsu can do anything materially to reduce the evil he will have performed a much-needed service to his fellow-countrymen.

But one wonders why he needed to have dragged Hongkong and Macao into the list of reasons for the existence of banditry, and he spoils what would have been a good summary of the causes of the evil when he says the "foreign imperialists' order of assistance and refuge has also increased the number of bandits." Surely it is carrying his anti-foreign feelings to the point of obvious exposure when he blames Hongkong and Macao for the presence of brigands in Kwangtung? It is perfectly true that Hongkong and Macao provide safe refuge for Chinese who keep the peace and obey the law, and if it so be that among the thousands of Chinese who daily come and go between Canton, Hongkong and Macao there are some who do not keep the law when they are in Kwangtung though they keep it when in Hongkong and Macao, then the blame is obviously on the absence of law enforcement in Kwangtung. The rights of the case are so obvious as not to need arguing, and General Hsu has been ill-advised to declaim so foolishly as he does in this particular.

When it is confessed that the cause of banditry is the excess of unemployed vagrants, disheartened and disbanded soldiers who have no honest employment, and the general increase of poverty and disorganisation, there is the beginning of a realisation of the essentials of the matter. But when one reads the steps that it is proposed to take, and what the author of the scheme calls "the fundamental solution", it is evident that there is little else than forceful suppression and fighting borne in mind. The province is certainly in need of a clean-up regarding bandits and armed robbers, but it is much more in need of good and stable government, of peaceful industry and development, of ordinary social inducements to people to lead honest, industrious lives. In a well-governed country most people are honest and well-behaved because it is best for themselves that they should be, but in China—at least to a large extent—the man who is honest and peacefully inclined is the prey of the lawless. It will only be when Kwangtung is honestly administered by incorruptible officials, and when more regard is paid to the social amenities, justice, liberties and privileges of the common people, that there will come about a diminution in the number of homeless no'er-do-wells, who have become what they are by reason of the chaotic environment in which they have been reared. Bandit suppression and eradication is a much vaster problem than can be solved merely by the use of troops.

Anti-British.

The news concerning China the last few days has indicated something of a lull so far as anti-foreignism is concerned, and apparently the Nationalist factions are too busily occupied in fighting one another, or preparing for battle, to pay much attention to the "enemy." The move on Hankow is developing, and it may be that we shall hear of the fall of the Communistic regime in that city ere long. There are one or two points where the "Reds" are proving troublesome, but their numbers are not very formidable, and once the centre of the "revolution within a revolution" is cleaned out by the moderate party, these sporadic outbreaks of extremist opposition should become a thing of the past. One may look a little ahead, then, and visualise the arrival of a time, in the near future, when the Nationalist body will again wear a semblance of perfect unity, and the campaign against the Northerners can be continued or the attempt to find a basis for a truce be resumed. And what then? One wonders whether there are any foreigners, especially any Britons, in China to-day, or who have recently been resident here, who imagine that the final elimination of the "Red" element will mean an abatement of the agitation against non-Chinese nationals, or the intense campaign of vilification and calumny against everything British. If so, they are likely to be sadly disillusioned. One has only to take Canton to-day, to realise what the real position is. True, there are no active attempts at hostility towards British nationals in the "moderate" areas, but that is probably not unconnected with the knowledge of the ability of Britain to exact satisfaction for outrage—although delay in establishing the Nanking sanctions is likely to diminish that attitude considerably. But the constant propaganda against everything British continues unabated. The *Canton Gazette*, the organ of Nationalist opinion, and at present the organ, one presumes, of the so-called "Whites" on the mainland, has not slackened its anti-British fervour in the least. The most recent issues to hand contain evidence of the unfailing attacks made in its columns against us. The headlines not only emphasise it; but the deliberate alteration of wording bears out this intense hostility. In one issue we have before us, there is a cartoon of a semi-favourable nature, to China, from an American paper. It depicts the alleged commercial viewpoint of *the three principal Powers* interested in China. Our Canton contemporary reproduces it with the heading, in large black type, "Down With British Imperialism!" So much for "moderation". Instances of this kind reflect the true nature of the agitation in Nationalist circles to-day, and it is as well to bear them in mind.

The ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd., will be held at the company's offices, on Saturday, May 21, at noon.

DAY BY DAY.

HE WHO REFORMS HIMSELF HAS DONE MORE TOWARDS REFORMING THE PUBLIC THAN A CROWD OF NOISY, IMPOTENT PATRIOTS.—*Lavater.*

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The P. and O. s.s. Macedonia, from Hongkong, arrived at London on the May 5.

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Up to noon, the Preussen, carrying the mail from Home via Suez dated April 7, had not been sighted.

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Lt. Roberts, of H. M. S. Titania, has reported to the police that jewellery valued at $185 was stolen from his cabin yesterday.

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The Atsuta Maru carrying the Homeward mail to-day, sails fully booked, most of the passengers embarking here being from Macao.

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In to-day Government *Gazette* is published corrected lists of persons authorized to sign death certificates, the Dental Register and List of Medical Practitioners.

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Prizes won at the recent Rifle Meeting are to be presented on Friday next when the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps is holding a smoking concert at Headquarters.

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The Oldekerk, from Bremen and Manila, reports that it was impossible to obtain wireless bearings from D'Aguilar Station at 9 p.m. on May 5 and again at 6 a.m. May 6.

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The Maud, from Swatow, reports a submerged junk in Latitude 22.46 North, Longitude 116.12 East, about two miles South of the Workfield Shoal, at 6 p.m. on May 6.

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Mr. H. T. White has reported to the police that thieves broke into a garage attached to No. 5, Chatham Road, night before last, and stole tools and spare parts from his motorcar, to the value of $30.

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The s.s. City of Wellington, arriving from Dalny and Shanghai, states that a propellor blade was lost *en route*. The ship was docked at Kowloon on arrival, for repairs, and will be afloat again during the week-end.

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The s.s. Huichow, arriving from Tientsin and Weihaiwei, reports the death of one male deck passenger from opium poisoning; the Protesilaus from Seattle and Miike, a suicide, no details of which are given and a case of tuberculosis on board.

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The Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending Saturday last contains the following cases: Plague, Rangoon 3, Port Said, Bassein, Bombay and Calcutta, 1 each; Cholera, Haiphong 134, Calcutta 121, Saigon 55, Bangkok 14 and Bombay 2; Small-pox, Calcutta 86, Bombay 77, Rangoon 36, Madras and Canton 6 each, Bangkok and Dairen 2 each, Saigon, Macao, Shanghai and Yokohama, 1 each.

MORE MEXICAN REBELS.

TWO HUNDRED KILLED.

Mexico City, May 6.

A message from Guadalajara says that 200 rebels were killed in an encounter with Federals.—*Reuter's American Service.*

HUDSON MAXIM DEAD.

A FAMOUS INVENTOR.

New York, May 6.

The death is announced of Mr. Hudson Maxim, well-known inventor and explosives expert.—*Reuter.*

Colonel Day referred in the House of Commons last month to a report of the investigators of the Advisory Committee of the League of Nations on Opium and Drug Addiction in which they stated that there were 700,000 men and women engaged in Europe in the illicit sale of cocaine, morphia, heroine, and opium, a great percentage of these being employed in Great Britain. Mr. G. Locker Lampson, replying, stated that the Advisory Committee had not made investigations and no such report as the hon. member mentioned had been made. Neither the Advisory Committee nor, so far as he was aware, any responsible body had made the statement mentioned which, he was informed, was without foundation.

IN THE SMOLENSKY MARKET.

A Medley of People and Things

On Sunday, which is the big market day, one finds all sorts of people and all sorts of things in Moscow's Smolensky Market. This market, which is the largest of a number of similar places in the city, stretches for several blocks along one of Moscow's circular boulevards. The whole area is crowded with buyers and sellers. Some of the latter have their stands and booths; others simply hold their small stocks of goods in their hands or heap them up in little piles and watchfully stand guard over them.

There is need for watchfulness in Smolensky Market; for it is a favourite resort of the "bezprizorni," or homeless waifs, who live by what they can beg or steal.

Smolensky Market is not as rich and picturesque as it was three or four years ago. Then one could go there and see the transfer of the visible symbols of wealth from one class to another. Members of the old propertied class, reduced to poverty and want by the Revolution, went to the market to sell their last objects of luxury and comfort; rugs, pictures, silverware, fine linen. These were bought up by the "new bourgeoisie," the supple and adept speculators who were able to get ahead after freedom of trade was restored, by agents of commission stores and by casual foreign visitors.

Now this process of transfer is pretty well completed. One can still find curios and beautiful trinkets, memorials of an aristocratic era that is apparently gone forever in Russia; but their number diminishes from year to year and to find them one must comb the vast expanse of the market more and more carefully.

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But Smolensky still has the attraction of extreme variety; it is always turning up new and interesting things for the curio expert and the bargain hunter. First of all one notices the more prosaic frequenters of the market, peasants who have driven into Moscow in their jolting little wooden carts to sell the products that farms yield in every country, milk and eggs and hay. Then there are workers' wives with shawls over their heads who go to the market to buy a joint of meat for the soup dish which is always a prominent item in the Sunday dinner.

This winter Moscow has been passing through a severe butter shortage; and some housewives go to the market in the hope of finding butter at something less than the prevalent speculative price of about $1 a pound.

The peasants buy as well as sell; some of the booths are provided with textile goods, nails and other hardware products which Ivan Muzhik is likely to need in his daily life. Bargaining is the rule in the market; the new-fangled innovation of fixed prices has only been introduced in the larger stores of the city. On the market and in Moscow street trade generally no sale is made without a prodigious amount of chaffering, in which the buyer begins by offering half of what he expects to pay, while the vendor starts out by demanding twice what he expects to get.

Besides the staple goods of the market one can hit on a bewildering variety of old and secondhand objects, some of them practically worthless, others interesting and valuable. Here is a little pile of old ikons, religious paintings of saints and scriptural scenes which pious Russians hold in great reverence. Near by one can pick out of a jumble of knickknacks silver buttons worn by the Russian boyars, or old nobility, and silver spoons of a former generation. A bronze vase with Arabic characters inscribed on it, the work of some Mohammedan artisan in distant Turkestan, is another typical object.

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The market also has its supply of pictures and books, old and new, good, bad and indifferent. Stray copies of Rousseau's "Social Contract" and Goethe's "Faust," of old books of poetry and fiction in various languages, can be picked up very cheaply. The demand to-day in Russia is for the orthodox works of Communist political economy, for the writings of Marx and Lenin, and also for modern literature.

Besides a medley of people and things, Smolensky Market offers a medley of sounds. Above the general hubbub of noisy bargaining more definite sounds pierce the air; a cracked record on an old gramophone wheezes out the song of some tenor of bygone days and shrill cries of "Pirogi, pirogi," advertise the merits of "pirogs," a favourite Russian delicacy consisting of small rolls encasing bits of meat, cabbage or egg.

The official tendency of Soviet trade and industry is toward standardization, uniformity, centralization. Instead of the old stores with the names of the owners, one comes to see more and more shops with such titles as "Workers' Co-operative No. 17." The state industries try to produce goods of standardized type; and the Gosplan, or State Planning Commission, tries to plot in advance the whole graph of the country's economic life and draws up reports on how many yards of textile goods and how many pounds of sugar every peasant family will require.

But the individualist, the lover of variety and contrast, will always have his outlet as long as Smolensky Market, with its extraordinary hodgepodge of goods, old and new, useful and ornamental, spreads out its treasures for the eager buyer every Sunday morning.

W. H. C.

CALMER U.S. VIEWS.

NEW VISION OF BRITISH NOTE.

New York, May 6.

A calmer view is taken by the Press as regards the British debt Note.

The conviction is growing that the Note is intended to correct erroneous impressions current in Europe rather than embarrass the United States or reopen the discussion of war debts, renewed discussion of which is at present regarded as futile.

The *New York Times* declares that if the common man comes to see war debts hampering foreign trade and hurting prestige, he will be readier to reconsider and rearrange them.

The *Herald Tribune* concludes a leading article as follows: "Revisions may be justified later, but it must be left to our good will and good judgment as to when and how."—*Reuter's American Service.*

COTTON FOR CASH.

MANCHESTER-LIVERPOOL DISCUSSION.

London, May 6.

The Liverpool Cotton Association met the general committee of the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners Associations, at Manchester, and discussed a proposal from Liverpool to sell cotton only on cash terms.

No statement was issued at the close, but it is understood that the spinners are known to be opposed to the withdrawal of the customary ten days' credit, owing to the financial position.

Credit to some firms has already been stopped.—*Reuter.*

RUBBER RESTRICTION.

AMERICAN CRITICISM AT GENEVA.

Geneva, May 6.

Addressing the Economic Conference, Mr. Henry Robinson, the President of the National Bank of Los Angeles, said he did not see how the British rubber restrictions could ensure a continuity of supply at a high level, and prove of ultimate benefit to the world. He wondered also whether the fact that over 75 per cent. of rubber was consumed by a non-producing country, while the country controlling restrictions consumed only 7 per cent., might not be regarded as discrimination.

Mr. Robinson was referring to Sir Max Muspratt's statement, made yesterday, that, with the rarest exceptions, there is no discrimination against the rest of the world in the export of raw materials.

The much-criticised rubber restrictions, he said, did not discriminate in favour of Britain, but had been introduced to ensure a continuity of supply of a product essential to modern civilisation. —*Reuter.*

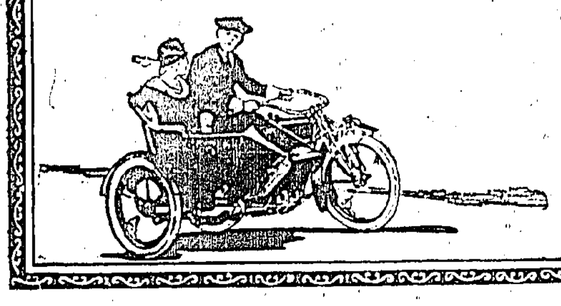
INDIAN GOVERNMENT PRECAUTIONS.

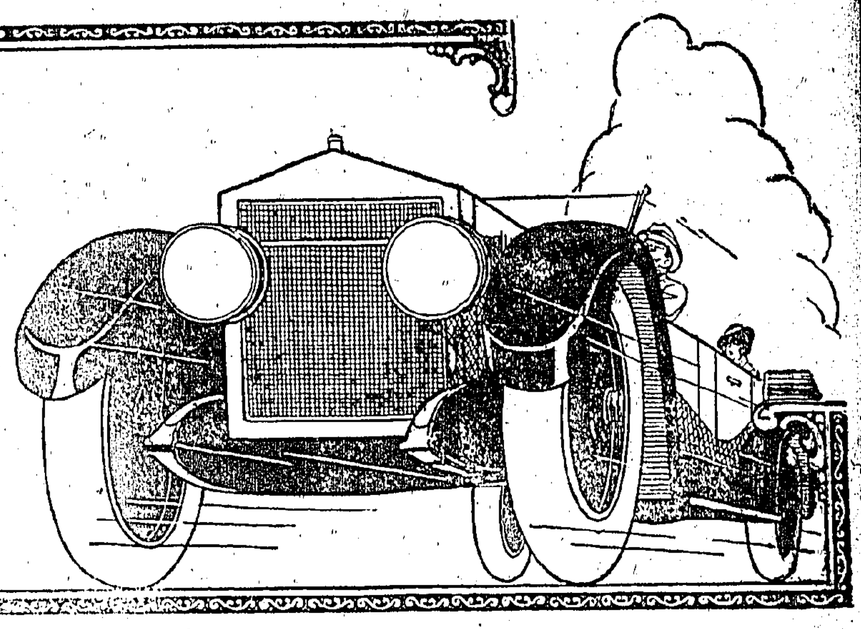
BRITISH BATTALIONS KEPT ON PLAINS.

Simla, May 6.

As a precautionary measure, in view of the communal riots at Lahore, and the general tension of public feeling, the departure to the hills of the British infantry from the neighbouring cantonments in the Punjab and Lahore has been indefinitely postponed. —*Reuter.*

MOTORING SUPPLEMENT





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CURRENT COMMENT

The H.K.A.A. Badge.

There are still some motorists who do not realise that the local badge of the Hongkong Automobile Association is recognised at Home. When a Hongkong member of the Association goes Home on leave, and intends using a car whilst away, the carrying of the Hongkong badge ensures that he will receive every assistance from the R.A.C., and be granted the usual privileges of Home members. The Hongkong Association is officially recognised as an associate organisation of the parent body, and its members are most courteously treated. This should be remembered by every Hongkong resident who contemplates motoring when on leave.

Traffic Control.

It is probable that a trial will be given to a special traffic controlling system known as the "Aga," at the junction of Des Voeux Road and Pedder Street. The proposal is that the tramway standard in the centre of the roadway should be done away with, and in its place, the "Aga" standard erected. This system does away with the necessity of posting traffic police, the signalling device being red lamps which intermittently flash from four points. The lights are visible by day or night, and traffic from all directions pass the standard on the left. The only point to be observed is that drivers must slow up when approaching the lights. These devices have met with much success in other parts of the world, particularly the United States and Sweden, and doubtless they would prove invaluable here, probably leading to the adoption of the system in various other parts of the Colony. The fact that two traffic policemen would not be required at the junction referred to indicates that the system is economical.

White Lines.

In addition to the "Aga" system mentioned above, it is proposed to paint white lines across Pedder Street and Des Voeux Road with the object of guiding pedestrians the proper way to across the road, thus avoiding as far as possible the aimless wandering and vehicle dodging which is customary at present. This locality is one of the busiest in the Colony, and we think that any attempt to organise both pedestrian and automobile traffic is to be strongly commended.

Vehicles Examined.

During the month of April, a great many motor vehicles were examined on the road, as to their fitness to be driven from the safety point of view. The undermentioned list will show the number ordered to stop running until defects were made good. Before being permitted to resume, they were required to pass a further test:—

Hongkong	89
Kowloon	37
New Territories	35

Summonses were taken out against seventeen drivers whose vehicles were found to possess faulty brakes.

Removal of Overgrowth.

Motorists will note with appreciation the removal of "overgrowth" and brushwood in several districts. Especially on the road from the University to Pokfulam is the improvement noticed. The Automobile Association has made certain suggestions in regard to the matter, and it is gratifying to know that the Botanical and Forestry Department has, in closely following the suggestions, lent sympathetic co-operation. There are still some places where action is needed, and we have no doubt but what the Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department will deal with them in turn.

Stanley Bathing.

It will come as welcome news that the P.W.D. will shortly commence work in widening the present track which motorists have to use when proceeding to the Stanley Bathing Beach. The proposal is to build a 20 ft. motor road from the main road, and when completed, this popular little beach should become more popular than ever. It is to be hoped however, that the work will be speeded up in order that the benefit therefrom may be enjoyed this year.

To-day's Races.

For the races to-day, no diversion of traffic will be made, as cars at present are unable to proceed round the Valley owing to the Wong-nei-Chong Road between Village Road and Sing Woo Street being closed to traffic. Cars may use Queen's Road East and drive straight through to the entrance of the Jockey Club, returning the same way. It is not expected that traffic will be exceptionally heavy, and the straight run to and from the Valley will not inconvenience anyone. Tramcars travelling to the races will also drop their passengers at the main entrance, but the usual service round Wong-nei-Chong Road, as far as Sing Woo Street, (near the Dragon Company's premises) will also be maintained.

Dangerous Railway Lines.

It is not so very long ago that we called attention to the bad state of the roads in Kowloon at places which are crossed by reclamation train lines, and it was good to see that afterwards some efforts were made to improve the set of these rails and bring them more in keeping with the level of the road. The first set on the outward journey, which cross Nathan Road beyond Mongkok still present a formidable bump unless the motorist slows down, but the real trouble lies with the next set on the road to Laichikok. Before the recent rains this set was passable, but apparently the rain has washed away the earth banking the rails, and now in wet weather it is a real danger spot to the solo motor cyclist. The road near these rails is simply pitted with holes, which are sufficient to throw a motor cyclist from his machine if he is not aware of their condition.

Combinations for Macao.

On Saturday last three Harley Davidson combinations were taken to Macao on the Sui An by Mr. A. Gascon, the local agent, for the use of the Macao Traffic Police. All the machines are of 1,000 c.c., and one is fitted with a double sidecar. The Macao Police have previously used this type of machine, but the latest model now in use in the Portuguese colony is for 1923, and 1919 machines are still in use. The new machines will be exported to Macao for Police use in the near future. Mr. Gascon superintended the loading and unloading of the combinations.

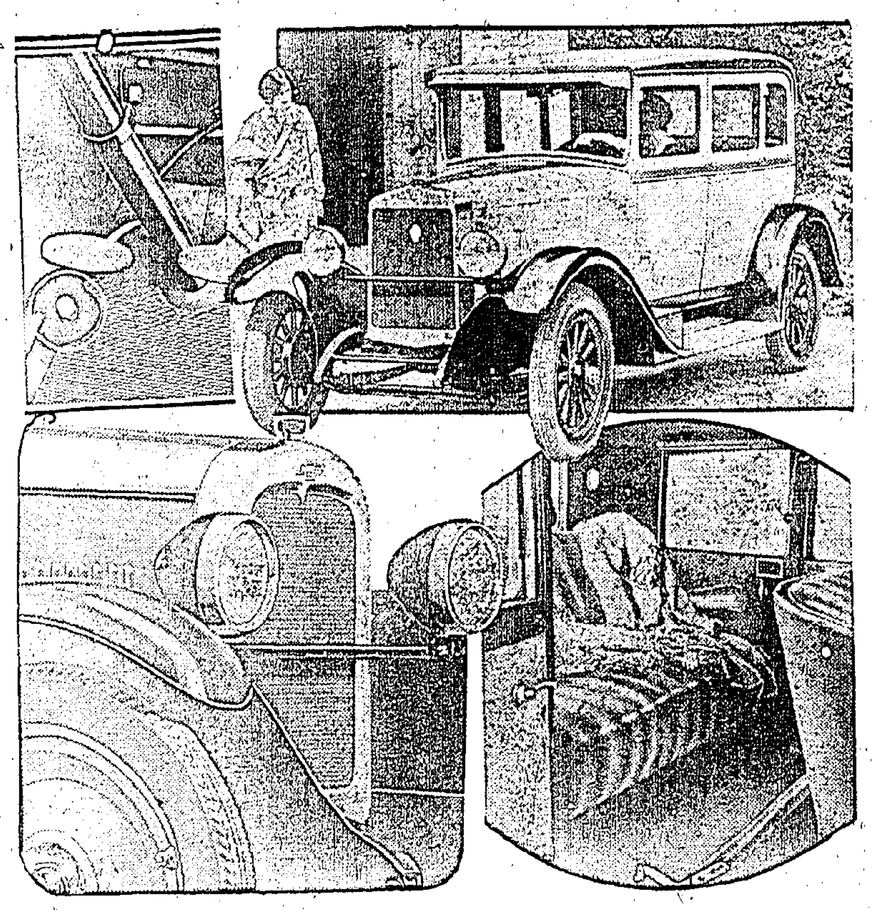
JAVA'S AUTO PROBLEMS.

Attack on automobiles by cows is the chief traffic hazard in Java, according to L. M. Prinsen Geerligs, resident of the Dutch East Indies. "The greatest nuisance on our roads," says Mr. Geerligs, "are the execarts. Those huge vehicles on two high wheels ruin our beautiful roads."

COLOUR — SNAP — POWER — SPEED.

The Engine, Chasis and Body Improvements.

[For *The Hongkong Telegraph* by Israel Klein.]



Some outstanding auto improvements revealed at the New York auto show. Upper photos, left, foot control for tilting headlights on the Oakland; right, the new Erskine Six. Lower photos, left, front of the new Chevrolet; right, interior of the Paige Eight.

New York.—This will be a year of colour, snap and speed if the new models shown at the New York Automobile Show are to be taken as a basis for prediction.

There was practically not a black car on the floor—almost a sudden reversion from the staid exteriors of two years ago.

At least half a dozen new eights were introduced—one of them going to the point of combining the larger engine with a smaller car for power, speed and economy. That's the "Little Marmon."

Body refinements for comfort and luxury were general throughout the show, with engineering improvements running only second to these.

Here and there a product stood out with an innovation unique to the show.

Four Speeds Back.

The new Paige Eight, for instance, with the four-speed transmission, a reversion to the early four-speed days in America, and to the European practice even to-day among the finer and larger cars.

The "Little Marmon," with its eight-cylinder engine built to small dimensions for highpower and greater economy, combines this with smallness in size of the car, so as to make this the smallest eight-cylinder product in America.

The Whippet, still only an infant as a four, appeared as a small six. The Whippet four, however, remains.

Small cars are increasing, as the show revealed, with the introduction of the new Erskine Six, which the Studebaker Corporation first introduced at the Paris Auto Salon a few months ago, the new light Star Six, and the continued popularity of the Chevrolet and the Whippet.

Yet the big car field isn't neglected, for several new eights appeared. There was the Paige, Chandler, Stearns-Knight, Elcar, Rickenbacker and the Little Marmon.

Every car on the floor showed that refinement in design and in appointments that appeal to the modern auto passenger. Yet, under the hood or in the chassis, there's usually some innovation that makes each automobile a step ahead of last year's model.

In Chevrolet, for instance, there's the oil filter and air cleaner under the hood, while the bullet headlights, the sleeker radiator and one-piece fenders help toward a finer appearance. Inside as well, the car shows improvements for the passenger's comfort.

The Paige also incorporated some interior changes for the better, in addition to its major change to eight cylinders and four speed transmission. The Paige Six, however, remains in all its former models.

Essex and Hudson.

There were important engine refinements in the Cadillac and Auburn, while Hudson and Essex includes not only improvements in the engine, but in the entire appearance of their cars. Redesigned radiators and new body moldings give more snap to the bodies. (Both of these cars represent popular opinion).

Oldsmobile joins the ranks of the cars with four-wheel brakes, *leaving a diminishing minority in* the two brake class.

Oakland adopts the tilting headlight of Cadillac, which can be operated with ease from the footboard to the left of the driver.

Whippet, new as it is, comes out with a new type of spring suspension, to afford easier riding.

In addition to showing the new cars for 1927, the New York auto show had an innovation in a section devoted to acquainting the motoring public with approved practices in motor repair. A shop equipment section revealed tools and other apparatus that are being installed in the better garages for the protection of the public against poor mechanics.

MANILA MOTORISTS.

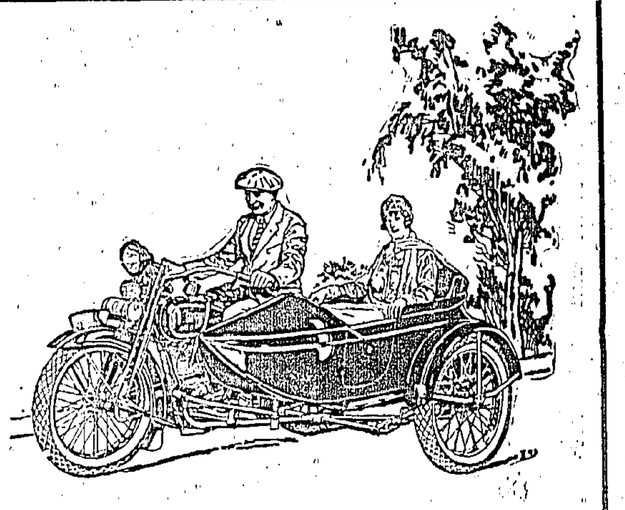
Automobile Club Proposed.

Organization of an automobile club in Manila similar to those in the United States, is under consideration by Manila car owners. The purpose of the club will be to secure passage of a uniform traffic law and to adopt such measures calculated to improve driving conditions in Manila especially.

Mr. John W. Green, chief of police, is in favour of the organization of the proposed club, stating that it would help much to improve traffic conditions in Manila. Similar organizations in the United States have proved their usefulness in recent years. Mr. Green said he will do his share to push through the organization of the club as soon as he is informed of it officially.

PREVENT MIRROR GLARE.

A device for eliminating glare in the rear-view mirror caused by headlights of a car in the rear has been placed on the market. A green sheeting is molded in such a form that it may be clamped directly over the rear-view mirror and raised or lowered at will.



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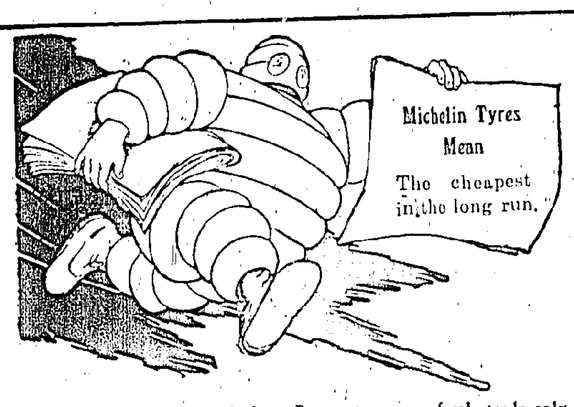

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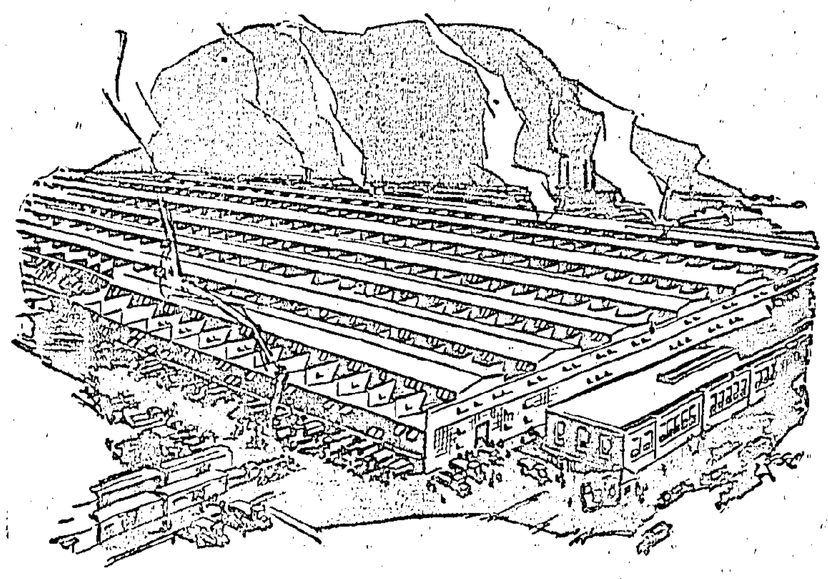

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THE ERSKINE SIX.

An Enjoyable Spin Round the Island.

[By "SCOUT" for *The Hongkong Telegraph.*]

Of recent months, much has been said of a new type of motor car evolved by the Studebaker Corporation—a type said to be representative of the "small car" so popular in Europe, but possessing unique qualities. According to reports, the newcomer achieved immediate popularity wherever introduced, in fact, some of the reports appeared to be not without exaggeration. It was in view of the praise bestowed upon the Erskine Six, for that is the name of the car, that I willingly accepted an invitation to take a trial spin round the Island in the first of these vehicles to reach Hongkong.

My first impression upon seeing the Erskine six was certainly one of admiration. Graceful lines of an unusually distinguished character made an instant appeal to the aesthetic sense, while the general finish and appointments were of a high standard of excellence. The car, as far as outward appearances were concerned, thoroughly justified the world-wide compliments it has earned, and it only remained for it to live up to its quickly gained reputation for performance, to substantiate the claims of power and economy.

I might mention here, that a special tank holding one gallon of gasoline had been attached, and with this containing the exact quantity, and the speedometer set at zero, we started out. One was conscious of an almost silent power unit which developed remarkable acceleration when traffic conditions needed it, and the simplicity of operation was another noticeable feature.

Upon turning into Garden Road from Queen's Road, it was necessary to drop down to a very slow speed, owing to the traffic signal being against us, and while many cars would have found it necessary to resort to second gear, the Erskine purred along quite merrily, and quickly picked up a good turn of speed when actually beginning the ascent of the hill. There seemed to be an adequate reserve of power to carry us to the top of the hill without changing down, and, but for a lorry which blocked the road at a point near the Helena May Institute, I have little doubt but what this difficult hill would have been negotiated on "top."

During the rest of the run there was not another hill which presented anything in the way of a task, in fact, the ease with which every ascent was taken without resorting to lower gear clearly proved with what an excellent engine the Erskine is equipped.

The descent of Dairy Farm Hill, which, incidentally, has been easily taken on "top" by the same car when ascending, gave an opportunity to test the braking power of the four-wheel brakes. In an almost incredibly short distance, the car was brought to a standstill from a speed of 25 m.p.h., there being no sign of sudden jerkiness, but rather an immediate though smooth checking of motion.

When the road presented the chance of speeding up, the Erskine demonstrated unquestionable ability in this respect, at the same time exhibiting a competence to hold the road smoothly and firmly. This desirable feature was especially noticeable when taking corners—and some well besprinkled with gravel at that!

Reference must be made to the springing and riding-comfort of this car. There is ample leg room from either the passengers' or driver's seats, and the upholstery work has been carried out with the intention of providing restfulness.

The run was concluded upon reaching the Hongkong Hotel, and here the speedometer was checked, showing a registration of 26.25 miles—and the special tank investigated. It was not surprising that the tank was practically empty, but there was probably enough "gas" to at least run the car down to the garage.

The experience was altogether delightful, providing as it did, ample substantiation of the assertions made by the makers regarding the virtues of this splendid little vehicle. I understand that the price is almost as big a surprise as the car is itself!

THE AIR CLEANER.

Most Important Device.

Probably no single mechanical feature now in use is more effective in prolonging the life of a motor car than the air cleaning device.

The cleaner which is now standard equipment on Dodge Brothers motor cars is very simple in construction consisting of only the outer shell and a fan. The clarifying of the air is accomplished by centrifugal force; that is the rotation of the fan, through which all the air passses, throws the particles of dirt against the side of the outer shell and they drop through the bottom of the cleaner, allowing only the clean air to pass through to the combustion chambers. When we realize that an automobile engine breathes from fifty to one hundred times a much air as we do, we can readily see that the air cleaner by preventing dirt and grit from mixing with the engine lubricant insures longer life in the main and connexion rod bearings, the pistons and rings and the cylinder walls.

According to figures furnished by the professors of automotive testing laboratories of Purdue University, fifty per cent. of the wear and tear on an engine is caused by road-dirt and dust which enter through the intake. Likewise, this same dust combining with the oil of the engine is the chief ingredient of the so-called carbon which accumulates in the combustion chambers. It is appreciated by the automobile driver that Dodge Brothers, in equipping their car with the air-cleaner, have eliminated 85 per cent. of this trouble. Dodge Brothers engineers in testing the new device in the dustiest desert they could find in North America declared it to measure up to Dodge Brothers exacting high standards.

While a special manifolding was required to mount the new air-cleaner, the cleaner with the correct manifold can be installed in Dodge Brothers power plants previously built.

UNIFORM TRAFFIC RULES.

Officials of New Jersey are planning a new set of motor vehicle and highway rules to make traffic regulation throughout the state and more similar to the traffic regulations of adjoining states.

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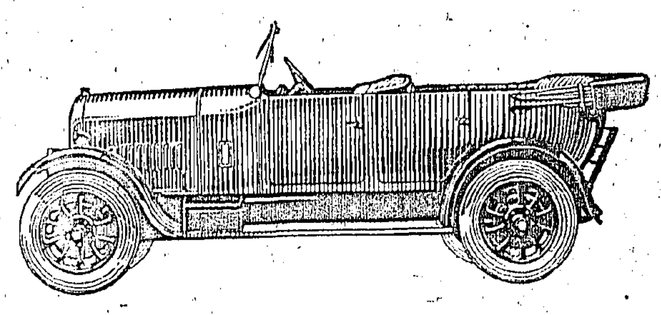

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What it Means to the Motorist.

A little over two months ago, when Major Segrave's 1,000-h.p. Sunbeam car was being tested on the bench in preparation for its stupendous task, a group of spectators watched the proceedings with some anxiety.

Among them were Mr. Coatalen, the designer of this monstrosity in machinery, and the man most intimately concerned—Major Segrave himself.

Both knew only too well the full meaning of transmitting 1,000-h.p. through the driving wheels of a motor-car. All kinds of new problems were involved. Everything human ingenuity could conceive to make the venture a success had been tried, but even then in creating this colossal motor-car altogether new and untested theories were in the balance.

During the test the only trouble experienced was due to faulty lubrication of the driving chains. But what a lesson in the necessity for efficient lubrication. Within a few seconds the chains became red hot and the giant had quickly to be stopped. A moment more and they would have broken.

The metal was not at fault, neither was it a question of poor quality oil.

The oil was not reaching the sprocket. In the final test when the lubrication system was remedied, oil and metal proved their qualities under the most gruelling conditions ever essayed.

Now let us turn for a moment to tyres. The fastest motor-car in the world would be useless without tyres that would withstand great heat and terrific friction.

Major Segrave did not say to the tyre maker "Please send me along a set of tyres for my 1,000-h.p. car."

He said in effect: "I am having a motor-car built with which I hope to do a speed of 200 miles an hour. Can you make a set of tyres that will stand up to such a speed."

The makers replied: "We do not honestly know, but we can try, and if we are successful we will fit your car."

So they created a special testing machine, which as near as possible would prove if an outer-cover could stand such hard going.

At the first test when the first tyre was run on the machine at a speed corresponding to 200 miles an hour, the tread came adrift and went clean through the roof of the test shed.

Many experiments were carried out and ultimately a cover was found that proved satisfactory. It came off the test machine not only intact but quite cool, showing that the material would withstand terrific heat.

The same exhaustive tests were carried out with sparking plugs, springs both for suspension and valve operation, brake linings, metals of all descriptions, wheels, and, in fact, every component of this extraordinary vehicle.

But the real test came at Daytona when the car, to everyone's astonishment, exceeded 200 m.p.h. Here was the real thing before which previous bench tests were insignificant.

Hurtling along the sands at this fantastic speed every component of the car was being fiercely tried, and the fact that nothing gave is a magnificent tribute to material, workmanship and design.

And now we come to the question:

Of what use is all this to the private car owner and to the motor industry generally?

We do not want to travel at 200 miles an hour, even if this were possible.

We do not want tyres that will withstand 200 miles an hour when our own maximum is 50 and so forth.

In a sense the above is true. But, supposing for a moment there were no pioneers like Major Segrave. In this case there would be no necessity for firms to experiment, and without experimental work motor design and development would stagnate.

Practically every outstanding development in the motor-car to-day is the outcome of racing and record-breaking experience.

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The same applies to sparking plugs. Nearly all the improvements in metal texture are due to the same reason.

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At least Major Segrave and the other pioneers think so.

THE GRAND PRIX.

Five Races to Decide World Championship.

[By Capt. E. de Normanville in the *Daily Chronicle*.]

The motoring Grand Prix to be held under the auspices of the Royal Automobile Club has been fixed to take place on Saturday, October 1—a fortnight before the Motor Show opens.

This race now forms one of the series under which the World Championship is decided, the event last year being the first time this country has participated.

That particular event was won by a Delage car, though the ultimate World Championship went to Bugatti.

For this year's premier racing award there are to be five races as follows: The Indianapolis Grand Prix, the French, Spanish, Italian and British Grand Prix. Our own event is to be the last of the series, so it may chance to be the deciding factor.

Unfortunately we are still unable to hold a road race in this country, so the venue will be Brooklands. The course has been extended to 325 miles, against last year's 287.

American Cracks.

A number of special turns and bends will be arranged on the track, though the actual details of the circuit are not yet settled.

The race is for cars with an engine capacity not exceeding 1,500 c.c., and of a minimum unladen weight of 700 kgs., approximately 14 cwt.

The rules this year permit the American practice of a centrally seated driver, so it is hoped that for the first time we may see some of the American racing cracks at Brooklands.

AUTO WELL ADVERTISED.

Manufacturers of automobiles and automobile accessories were the largest users of national newspaper and magazine advertising in 1926, according to a report by the United States Department of Commerce.

THE ARGYLL ENGINE.

One-Sleeve Two-Cycle.

Detroit.—Success of experiments made in this country and in Europe in recent years points to the development and adoption of the two-cycle, single sleeve engine for the automobile.

This is nothing new in Europe, where three passenger car companies and two motor-cycle manufacturers have been making use of this type of motor. For America it is an innovation.

First signs of this development here was the purchase of the Argyll patents by Continental Motors about two years ago. These are the original single sleeve valve, two-cycle engine patents based on inventions of two Scottish engineers, Burt and McCallum.

Heretofore, American motordom has been acquainted only with the double sleeve valve engine of the Knight type. In this case, two cylindrical sleeves within the cylinder work up and down, opening and closing the intake and exhaust ports, as openings in the sleeves meet others in the cylinder wall.

Twisting Cylinder.

In the Argyll engine, however, only one sleeve is adjusted so that it moves in a spiral, making a twist of almost 50 degrees while moving up or down along the cylinder wall and opening or closing the intake or exhaust ports by means of openings at the top.

The engines in use in American automobiles to-day are all of the four-cycle type. Originally, these were called "four-stroke-cycle" engines, because the piston made four strokes in each cycle of the engine's operation. A cycle, in this case, is the complete action that takes place in each cylinder.

This consists of two upward and two downward motions of the piston in the following order: 1—intake of gasolene when the piston goes down; 2—compression as piston goes up; 3—power as piston goes down; 4—exhaust of used gas as piston goes up.

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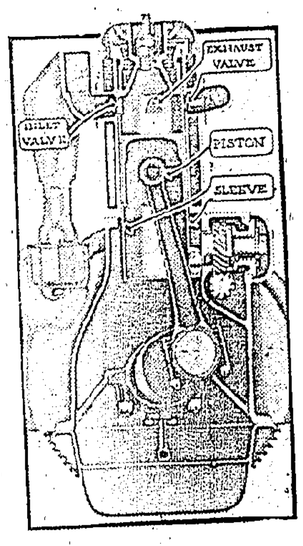

Cross-section of one cylinder of the Argyll single-sleeve engine.

in propelling the car. The other downward stroke is practically waste. The two-cycle engine makes every downward stroke a power stroke.

In this case, the cycle consists of: 1—up, or compression, stroke; 2—down, or power, stroke.

It is while the piston is on its way down that both the exhaust and intake valves are opened by the moving sleeve, permitting the exhaustion of the used gas and the entrance of the new gas. The exhaust valve is opened slightly before the inlet, so that the cylinder may be almost entirely cleared of the used gas before the unused gas comes in.

Longer life, less power to drive, silence, less carbon deposit, greater fuel efficiency are some of the advantages claimed for this type of engine. Tests have shown that a small motor developing 30 horsepower at 3,000 revolutions a minute, in an average small car, will give 30 miles to a gallon of gasolene.

PROTECTS SEIZED CARS.

A bill has been introduced into the North Carolina state legislature which would prohibit the use by any state, county, township or municipal officer of any automobile seized by an agent while enforcing a law.

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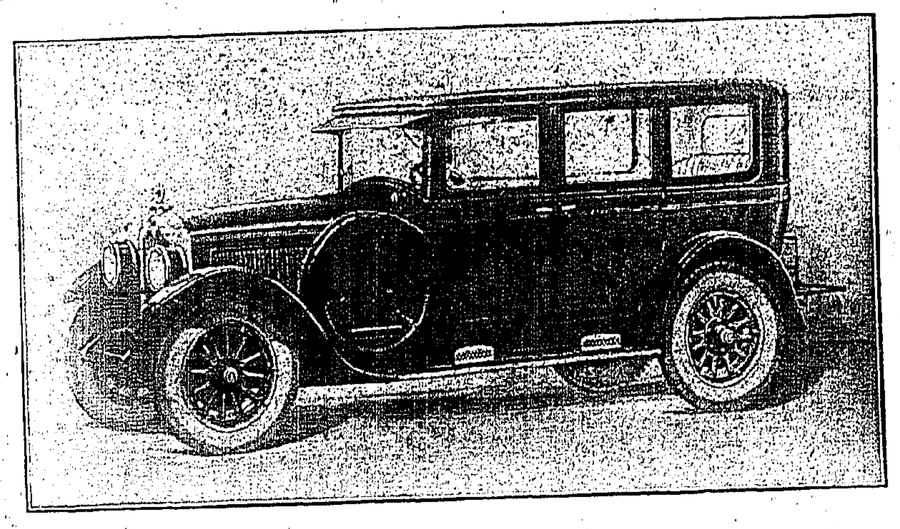

MORE FAVORABLE BUSINESS CONDITIONS IN GENERAL INDICATED BY BUICK PRODUCTION.

A substantial increase in sales for the first twenty days of February over the same period last year is stated by Mr. E. T. Strong, President of the Buick Motor Company to be an indication that his company and the industry in general are on the threshold of one of the greatest selling seasons the automobile business ever enjoyed. Such increases constitute an excellent barometer of favorable business conditions throughout the greater part of the world!

"Buick deliveries showed an increase during the first twenty days of February of nearly a thousand cars over a similar period in 1926," Mr. Strong said. "We have found that automobile sales are an accurate index of general business conditions."

"The value in using these sales figures as an index lies in the fact there has been nothing done to stimulate sales or create a demand which might be contrary to general conditions. The models now on the market are the ones introduced last August with the exception of two additional body styles which were added to the line later. Thus the upward trend in sales can be attributed to more favorable business conditions."

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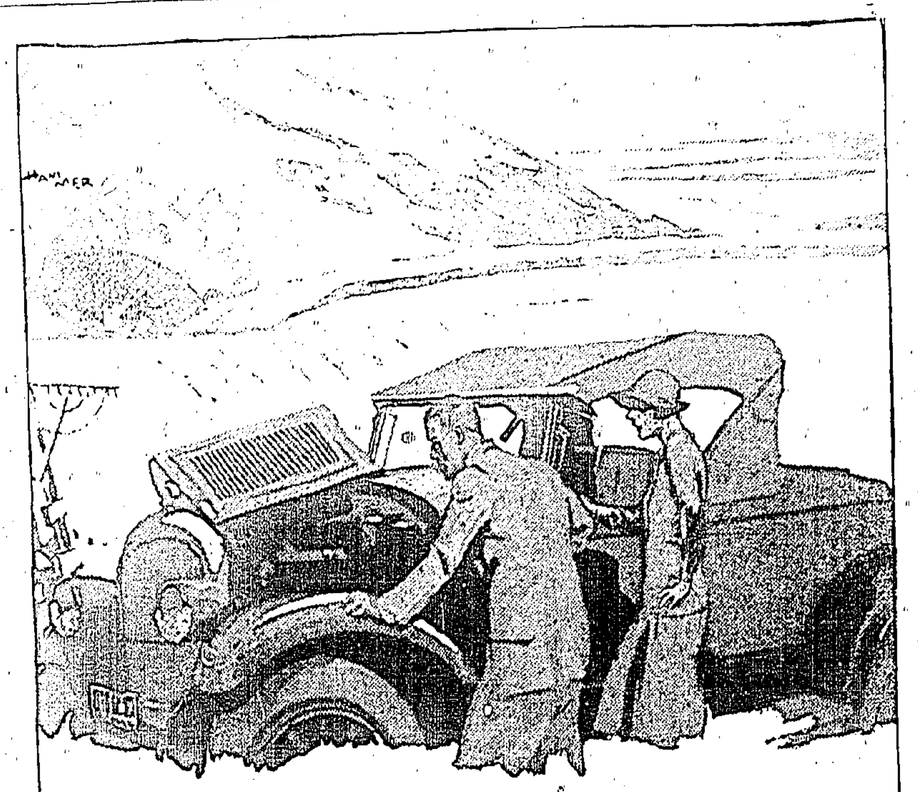

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MANY MOTOR CAMPERS.

About 75 per cent. of the motor tourists coming into California carry camping equipment, according to estimates of the Automobile Club of Southern California outing bureau.

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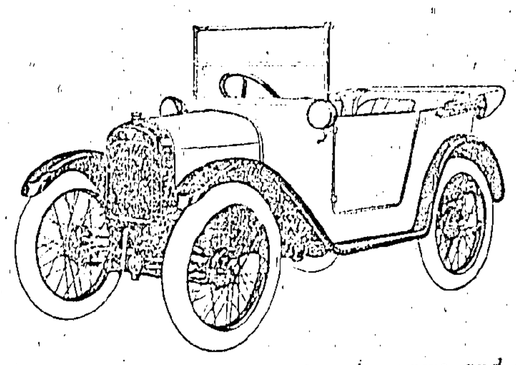

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HINTS FOR THE MOTORIST

by ALBERT L. CLOUGH

MORE ABOUT SQUEALING BRAKES.

The results of careful researches recently published, while they fully confirm the theory of this car-piercing phenomenon, as set forth in an article published in these columns in August, 1924, include many additional observations and suggestions, among which are the following:

What Causes Squeaking?

Brake squeak is the natural tone or "ring" of the brake drum, due to its sonorous vibration by particles of grit, worn off metal or by fabric wire, rubbed by the lining against the drum—the hard particles forming and moving in grooves, where they act like a phonograph needle in the grooves of a record.

Making the Lining Bear All Around.

Sonorous vibration cannot take place in anything that is tightly held, for such movements are then instantly damped and the essential precaution against squealing is that the lining shall contract evenly about practically the entire drum. That it may do so, band clearance must be uniform at all points, the band must be free at its back-anchor support (not rusted thereto), so as to follow the contracting movement and it must be shaped to fit the drum.

Care of Bands and Drums.

Band lining must be kept free from embedded grit and metal particles by frequent washing and brushing and no metal wires should protrude through the fabric surface. Grooves worn in drum surfaces should be smoothed out by means of emery cloth. Drums should run true and their surfaces should be flat and free from ridges. Rivet heads should be kept well below the rubbing surface of the lining. Drums of hard steel are desirable on account of possessing greater resistance to grooving.

More Flexibility for Linings.

Anything that makes the lining hug the drum closer and conform to it better tends to dampen squeaking and therefore inserting a felt strip between the band and the lining is suggested. Making the lining in a number of sections instead of a single piece, is another expedient to secure closer and evener contact with the drum.

Shims Behind the Fabric.

In case of a drum that is worn down near its centre and is high along the edges, sheet metal shims inserted between lining and band may be found to counteract the worn drum and tend to give the even pressure that discourages squeaking.

Lining Lubrication.

Stopping squeaking by lubricating linings or by treating them with special anti-squeak compounds, involves possible danger of lessening brake effectiveness and even of causing locking of the fabric on the drum. If any lubricant is to be used, a little pulverized graphite is probably the safest, particularly as abrasive particles do not stick to it. Drums, upon which both internal and external bands are simultaneously applied, seldom squeak.

Early Piston Ring Replacement.

Question.—My 1924 —— car, driven about 5,000 miles, shows somewhat weak retention of compression and I am going to install new piston-rings. Do you advise using inner-rings in connexion with them?

Answer.—So far as service rendered is concerned this car may be regarded as practically a new one and it is a sad commentary upon factory production and inspection methods that its engine should need new rings, thus early, taking for granted, of course, that it has always had proper care and never been subjected to abuse. Evidently the manufacturer believes that inner-rings are not necessary in his engines and we think you would be justified in taking the same ground. If the cylinder bores are in good condition and the ring-fitting job is a good one, you should obtain good ring action without requiring any more spring pressure than that inherent in the rings themselves.

Generators and Cut-outs.

Question.—To settle a dispute, please tell me: (1) Does the cut-out of a generator stop its charging a battery, after it is fully charged? (2) Does it prevent current backing-up to the distributor? (3) With a battery fully charged and the generator charging it at 20 amps. is there danger of burning out the generator or battery cells? (4) What is the object of burning auto headlights in the daytime?

Answer.—(1) No; it keeps on furnishing charging current so long as it is turning fast enough to generate a voltage higher than that of the battery. (2) No; the ignition system works independently of the generator. (3) The generator may burn out if 20 amps. is considerably more current than it is intended to supply. Overcharging a battery may injure its plates, if it is excessive and long continued. (4) To keep generator current from going into the battery and overcharging it.

Oil Leaks Past Bearing.

Question.—After having a new rear main bearing installed in the engine of my 1922 —— car, oil leaks into the clutch housing at the rate of a quart each 20 miles. Is there a felt gasket that goes in back of this bearing? How can this trouble be removed?

Answer.—No felt washer is used at this point, but the bearing is drained back to the crankcase, through a duct in the bottom of the bearing support and the flywheel flange on the rear end of the crankshaft tends to prevent oil running out past it. A hole in the bottom of the bearing bushing should line up with the return drain passage and it is possible that your trouble is due to faulty installation of this bushing. At any rate, it would seem that the draining back action is somehow interfered with. Of course, if this rear main bearing bushing has too much clearance with the crankshaft, there would be likelihood of considerable oil escape.

Spark-Plug Gap.

Answer.—The correct gap or distance between the points of spark plugs used on distributor ignition systems, is about 0.030 inches or just a trifle less than one thirty-second of an inch.

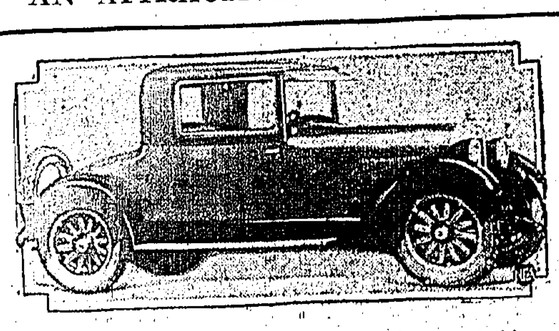
CLUBS STUDY TRAFFIC.

Twelve luncheon clubs of Detroit have joined in forming a Citizens' Safety Committee. The committee will co-operate with other traffic organizations and is gathering data on traffic conditions and safety measures.

BADGES FOR DEAF.

Residents of Vienna whose hearing is subnormal wear armbands of yellow with three black spots to protect them from traffic accidents. Many pedestrians who have been hit by vehicles were found to have defective hearing.

AN ATTRACTIVE ESSEX MODEL.



The new Essex Coupe which attracted buyers at this year's Automobile Show held in New York.

FRANCE'S ROAD FUND.

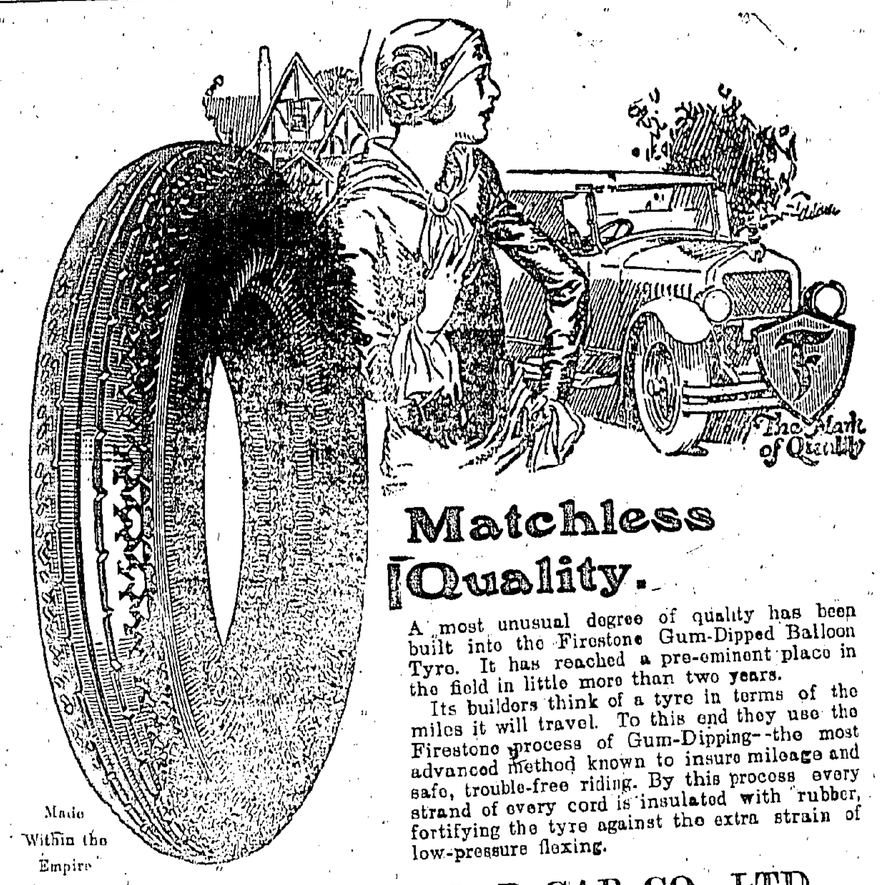
Roads are being built in France from profits from currency printed soon after the war which has never been reclaimed. As much as 40,000,000 unclaimed francs are being used for highway construction.

BRIDGES SERVE MANY.

A careful check of passenger automobiles crossing the four bridges which span the East river from Manhattan to Brooklyn and Queens showed that in 24 hours 333,928 passengers in 162,052 vehicles made use of these structures.

LICENSE 2,000,000.

An automobile licence plate bearing the numerals 2,000,000 is expected to be issued by the New York state authorities during the present year. At the end of 1926 New York had more than 1,800,000 motor vehicles in use within its boundaries.



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MOTOR TOURISTS.

Boom Expected in U.S.A.

Washington, April 19 (United Press).—Tourists seeing America by automobile will spend nearly $4,000,000,000 along the highways of the nation this year, the American Automobile Association estimates.

One third of the nation—about forty million people—will take to the open roads in some 10,000,000 cars for their vacations in 1927, the association forecasted on figures collected from motor clubs.

Every section of the country reports the greatest activity in history in preparation for a banner tourist season. The increase in "seeing America by motor" this year over the number of tourists in 1926 will be at least 10 per cent.

In addition to those to stay in the United States, more than 4,000,000 cars will enter Canada this spring and summer on pleasure jaunts and many thousands will head into Mexico from Texas, and California points.

Of the 10,000,000 machines that will go touring this season, one third will carry camping equipment and extend their outing to 33 days, it was estimated. Two-thirds of the caravan will remain entour only 10 days but will depend on hotels for accommodations.

TRACTOR FOR HAULING GUNS.

The above vehicle, now in Shanghai, was seen on the Kowloon streets some time ago where it created much interest. It is one of the special motor tractors used by the British Army for drawing guns.

TESTS THE BENCH CANNOT MAKE.

Death-Daring Experiments.

A correspondent of the *Manchester Guardian* discusses recent speed performances:—

They set up tests that cannot be met on the bench, and are in effect highly technical applications of research and experiment. They are not meant to develop racing cars for popular use on the highway, but to improve design and they have a great influence on design.

The connexion between a 1,000 h.p. machine, which as a car is a monstrosity, and the car bought by the average motorist may seem remote, but none the less the result of these racing experiments does find its way into the design of the normal car, and the motorist benefits in the matter of efficiency and the increased roadworthiness of his car.

FARMERS OWN AUTOS.

Of the total number of automobiles owned in the state of Wisconsin, 61 per cent. are in 59 rural counties, according to the *Wisconsin Farmer*.

TRADESMEN'S BOYCOTT OF FORD CARS.

"Unfair Competition" Resented.

New York, March 28.

A movement to boycott Ford motor-cars, which started among 4,500 retail grocers and butchers in Detroit who were annoyed at Mr. Ford's invasion of their own field of trade, has now spread to St. Louis and other Missouri cities and is still growing.

According to these merchants, Mr. Ford, at three huge shops at the Highland Park, River Rouge, and Lincoln motor plants, is selling food and clothing to the public at prices lower than those which the retailers have to pay the wholesalers for these commodities. Yesterday the secretary of the Missouri Grocers' and Merchants' Association sent him a letter reminding him that small merchants were the principal customers for his trucks; and alleging that he was unfairly sowing suspicion of the tradesmen among the public. The secretary demanded that Mr. Ford should close up his meat shops.

When Mr. Ford first raised the minimum wage in his works to $5 (£1) a day, neighbouring tradesmen raised their prices accordingly, whereupon the manufacturer started his own food and clothing shops for his workmen. Using his unlimited purchasing power and organizing the shops as efficiently as his motor plants, he radically undersold the tradesmen. Last year his shops had a gross turnover of $12,000,000 (£2,400,000) and showed a profit of $40,000 (£8,000). Five months ago, in spite of the protests of the tradesmen, he threw the shops open to the general public.

FIREPLUGS ARE TARGETS.

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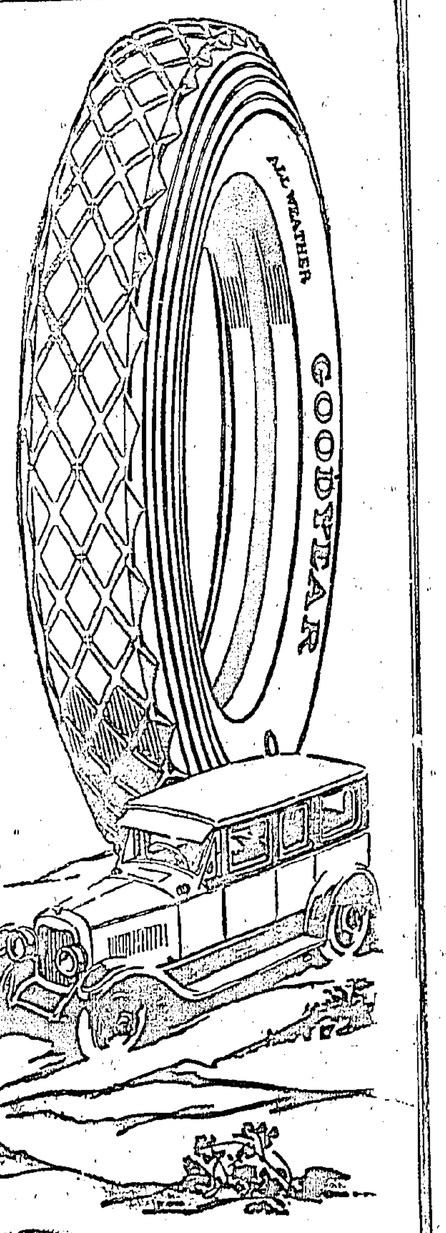

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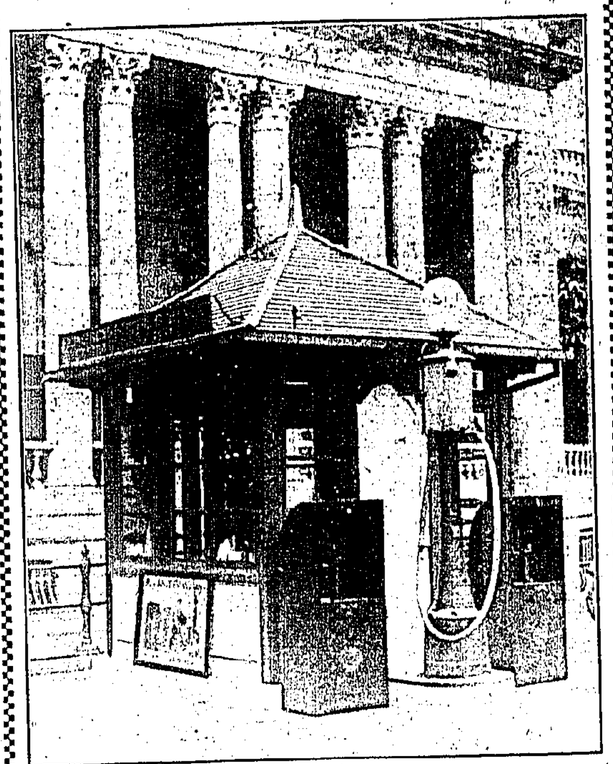

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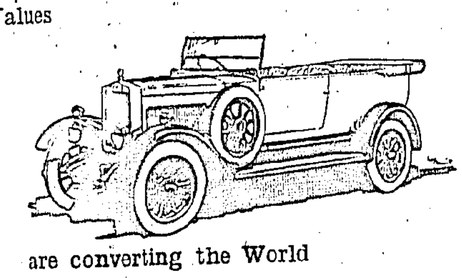

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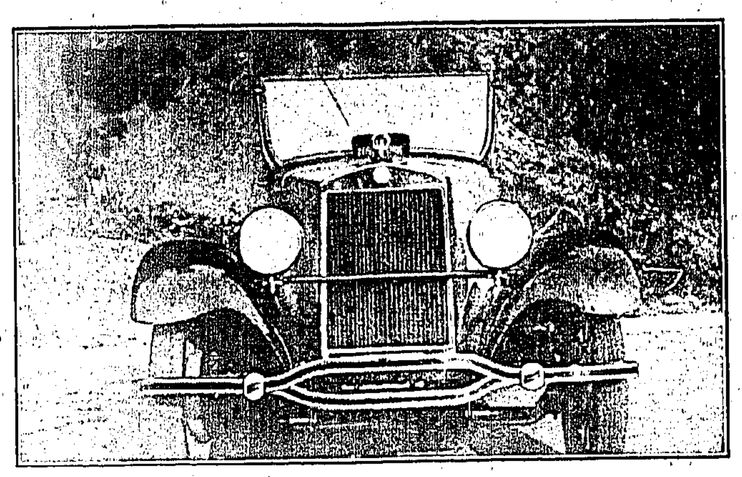

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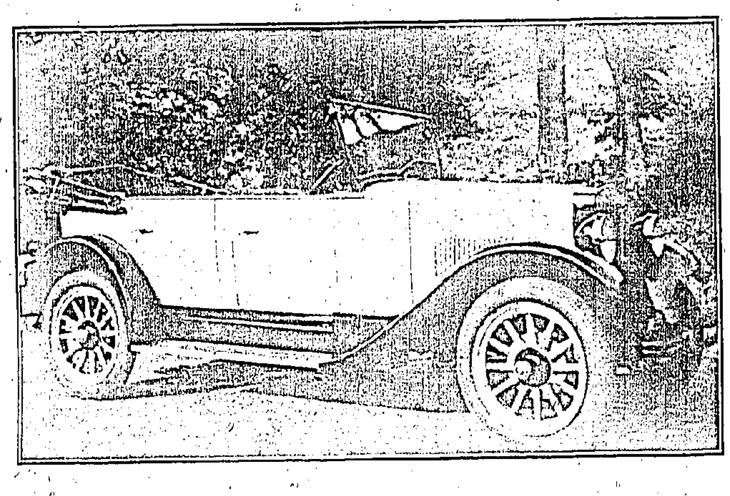
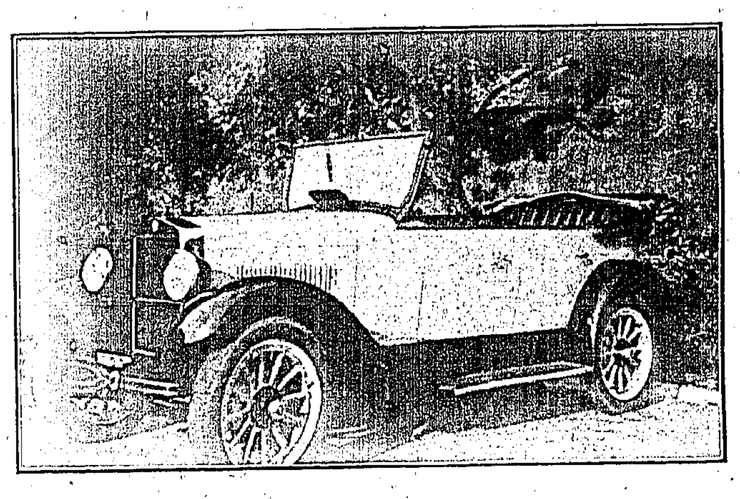


A LOCAL DEMONSTRATION.

On Thursday, April 28th., 1927 the car shown in the pictures on this page, was driven round the Island of Hong Kong accompanied by a representative of *The Hongkong Telegraph*. A special tank was attached, and into this ONE GALLON of gasoline was poured. After the Island had been encircled, it was necessary to drive further in order to drain the tank dry, when the speedometer was found to register 26.25 miles to the gallon. Every hill was negotiated on top gear without any sign of effort. The car was stopped and manoeuvred on two occasions for the purpose of taking photographs.



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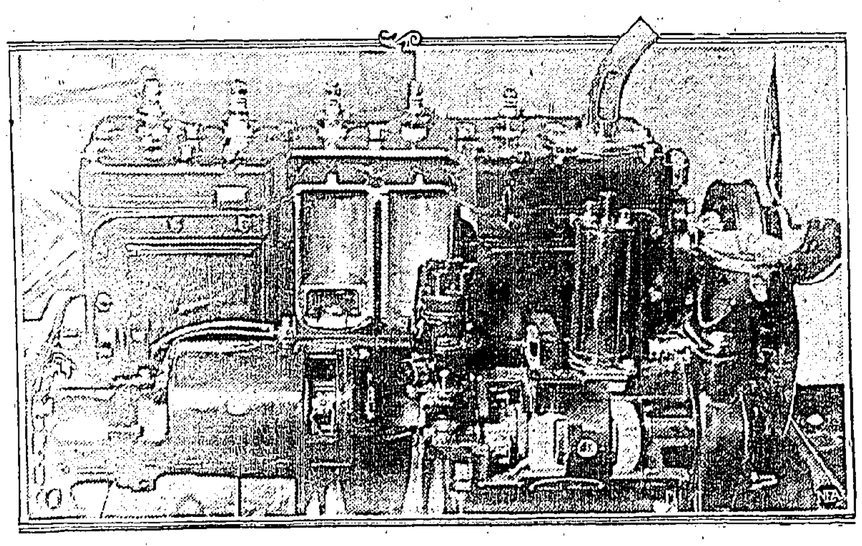

Close-up of the power plant of the Erskine 6, the "cut-away" showing the small piston displacement. It is an L-head type of motor, with a 2 5-8 inch bore, a 4 1-2 inch stroke and a total displacement of 146.1 cubic inches. It develops 40 horsepower at 3,200 revolutions per minute.

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HOME RULE FOR SCOTLAND?

SINGLE CHAMBER GOVERNMENT.

The text was issued last month of the Scottish Labour M.P.s' Government of Scotland Bill to provide for the better government of Scotland. It is presented by Mr. Marr, and supported by Messrs. Adamson, Buchanan, Wheatley, Johnston, Maxton, Stephen, Kirkwood, and others.

The memoradum to the Bill explains that it provides for the establishment in Scotland of a single chamber Parliament dealing with Scottish affairs which shall have sovereign power to make laws for the peace, order, and good government of Scotland, and an Executive Committee to aid and advise His Majesty's representative in Scotland.

Deriving its power from the people of Scotland voting in Parliamentary elections, it shall consist of 148 members, representing the existing constituencies, and returned by the Parliamentary electors, as defined in the Bill.

The representation of Scotland in the Commons House of the Imperial Parliament will cease at the date when the Scottish Parliament is constituted.

The members of the Imperial Parliament who represent Scottish constituencies shall then retire from that Parliament, and no others shall thereafter be elected.

Lord High Commissioner.

The executive power will continue vested in H.M. the King, who will be represented in Scotland by a Lord High Commissioner, who shall be appointed in like manner as the Governor-General of Canada; and in accordance with the practice observed in the making of such appointments.

The administration will be carried on by the Lord High Commissioner, advised by an Executive Committee of a Scottish Privy Council.

The control of all persons and matters in Scotland at present vested in and controlled by the Imperial Parliament at Westminster shall be transferred from the Imperial Parliament, and with the exception of the Navy, the Army, the Air Force, and the Foreign Office (in this Bill referred to as "joint services"), which shall be administered jointly by the Scots and Imperial Parliaments, except as otherwise provided for, all the national services and departments, including the postal, telegraph, and wireless services, the administration of old pensions, national health and unemployment insurance, and Customs and Excise, shall be under the sole control of the Scots Parliament.

Provision is made in the Bill for the separation of any or all of the joint services on the demand of either the Scots or Imperial Parliament, or when the Parliaments fail to agree on the proportion of the cost of the joint services to be borne by each or the administration of the joint services.

The power of levying and collecting all taxes, including Income-tax in Scotland, shall be transferred to the Scots Parliament, and the taxes so levied and collected shall be paid into the Scottish Treasury.

Scotland's Expediture.

The expenditure connected with the aforesaid national services and departments, which on the appointed day will come under the sole control of the Scots Parliament, shall be provided by the Scots Parliament alone. Expenditure connected with the administration of the joint services shall be paid partly by the English and partly by the Scottish Treasury in proportions to be agreed upon between the two Governments, and in default of agreement, to be ascertained by a Joint Council, subject to ratification by both Governments, and this arrangement shall continue until such time as all or any of the joint services are separated.

If separation of all or any of these services should take place, each country shall then administer and finance its own service. A consultative council, to be called the Joint Council, shall be established for the purpose of ascertaining and declaring the rights of the two countries in any matters of common interest, where there is any disagreement between the two Governments on such matters. This Council shall meet as often as is deemed necessary by either Government and full information on all matters referred to it shall be supplied to the Council by both Governments.

The deliverances of the Council shall not be binding on both countries. A Supreme Court of Scotland is substituted for the House of Lords as the final Court of Appeal, and all constitutional questions will be determined by the tribunal, subject to the right of any person to petition His Majesty for leave to appeal to His Majesty in Council.

NOTHING FOR ROSYTH.

ADMIRALTY REPLY TO CLAIMS.

"Nothing doing" is, in effect, the reply of the Admiralty to the application of Dunfermline Town Council for compensation consequent upon the placing of Rosyth Dockyard on "a care and maintenance basis."

In a letter to the Town Council, the Secretary of the Board of Admiralty states that the Lords Commissioners regret that they are unable to discover any grounds upon which they would authorise payment of compensation, and they are therefore not in a position to accede to the claim.

Their Lordships are nevertheless disposed to admit that in point of equity alone the claims relating to the liability of the Town Council to the Scottish National Housing Company in respect of the construction of roads in the garden city stands on a somewhat different footing from the rest of the items, and they understand that the Treasury Commissioners would be prepared to consider whether relief could be given to the Town Council in respect of the claim of the housing company (amounting to £20,000), provided the Town Council's compensation in respect of the dockyard is formally withdrawn.

Saving at Expense of Town.

Replying for Dunfermline Town Council, Mr. A. Shearer, Town-Clerk, states that its terms have occasioned much disappointment, and adds that there can be no question that, but for the representations, and, indeed, the urgent solicitations of the Admiralty, the Town Council would never have embarked upon the large expenditure and incurred the serious obligations which now embarrass them. It is submitted that it is inequitable to effect a national economy at the expense of a small section of the community which has expended large sums of money in furtherance of a national object subsequently frustrated.

While welcoming the recognition that as regards one branch at least of their claim the Town Council are in point of equity entitled to consideration, the Town Council cannot admit that in point of equity their claim to relief is confined to their liability to the Scottish National Housing Company. It is submitted in any case that the Town Council, who are a representative body, and occupy a fiduciary position toward their constituents, to whom they are answerable, cannot well be asked, as a preliminary condition of any relief, to abandon formerly all claim to compensation without any assurance that even as regards the branch of their claim whose equity is recognised, they will receive anything at all.

An opportunity is asked to discuss the position without prejudice.

MONKEY COMEDY.

BUFFET CLEARED IN RECORD TIME.

A monkey served a brief apprenticeship as a waiter in the buffet at Victoria Station, London, recently, and then disappeared. His owner and the station officials are still looking for him.

Mink, as he is called, was brought into the bar by his owner, who had paid £5 for him, and his cage door was opened so that he might be given a few biscuits. He stepped out at once to show what he could do.

His first move was to establish himself among the beer bottles behind the bar and begin to hand out free drinks all round. He was about to display similar generosity with the sandwiches, when Miss Jones, one of the barmaids, caught him and returned him to his cage.

Before the door could be closed he escaped once more, and showed his own preference in the way of refreshment by annexing a bottle of liqueur. He was not given time to draw the cork, however, and seeing that he was in peril of capture he hurried to the public side of the bar, and the customers left far more rapidly than they would have done if a mere human being had said, "Time, gentlemen, please!"

Mink seemed to consider that this proved that he had fulfilled all the duties of a lightning waiter, so he left the bar and went to inspect the working of the hotel lift.

He has not been seen since.

WOOLWICH FIRE.

DESPERATE EFFORTS AT ARSENAL.

Shortly after six o'clock one night in mail week a great fire was seen inside the Plumstead Marsh side of the Woolwich Arsenal. There was great excitement in the neighbourhood, and in a short time 15 engines were on the scene fighting the flames.

Desperate efforts were made to confine the fire to the locality in which it started, and in this the firemen were successful.

It was first of all thought (says the *Daily Sketch*) that the fire had actually broken out at the fuse factory. A rumour to this effect spread quickly in the district, and caused considerable alarm among the inhabitants of the neighbourhood. The buildings cover an area of about 200 feet by 150 feet, and are used as engineers' workshops.

The fire blazed furiously for an hour and a quarter and the flames, which leapt up 40 or 50 feet at times, could be seen all over Woolwich and from ships on the river. The whole of Woolwich was excited and thousands of people crowded into the street around the gates of the arsenal.

Fire engines were continually arriving. Altogether 25 of them passed through the fourth gate to fight the flames. At one time traffic was almost impossible in the roads adjoining the arsenal, so great was the throng.

The building, which is a two-storey one, contained gas masks and other anti-gas apparatus as well as light machinery used for ammunition making purposes.

The building adjoins a newly-erected fuse factory and is quite close to the chemical research depot. It is some distance away from the really dangerous part of the arsenal where high explosives are manufactured.

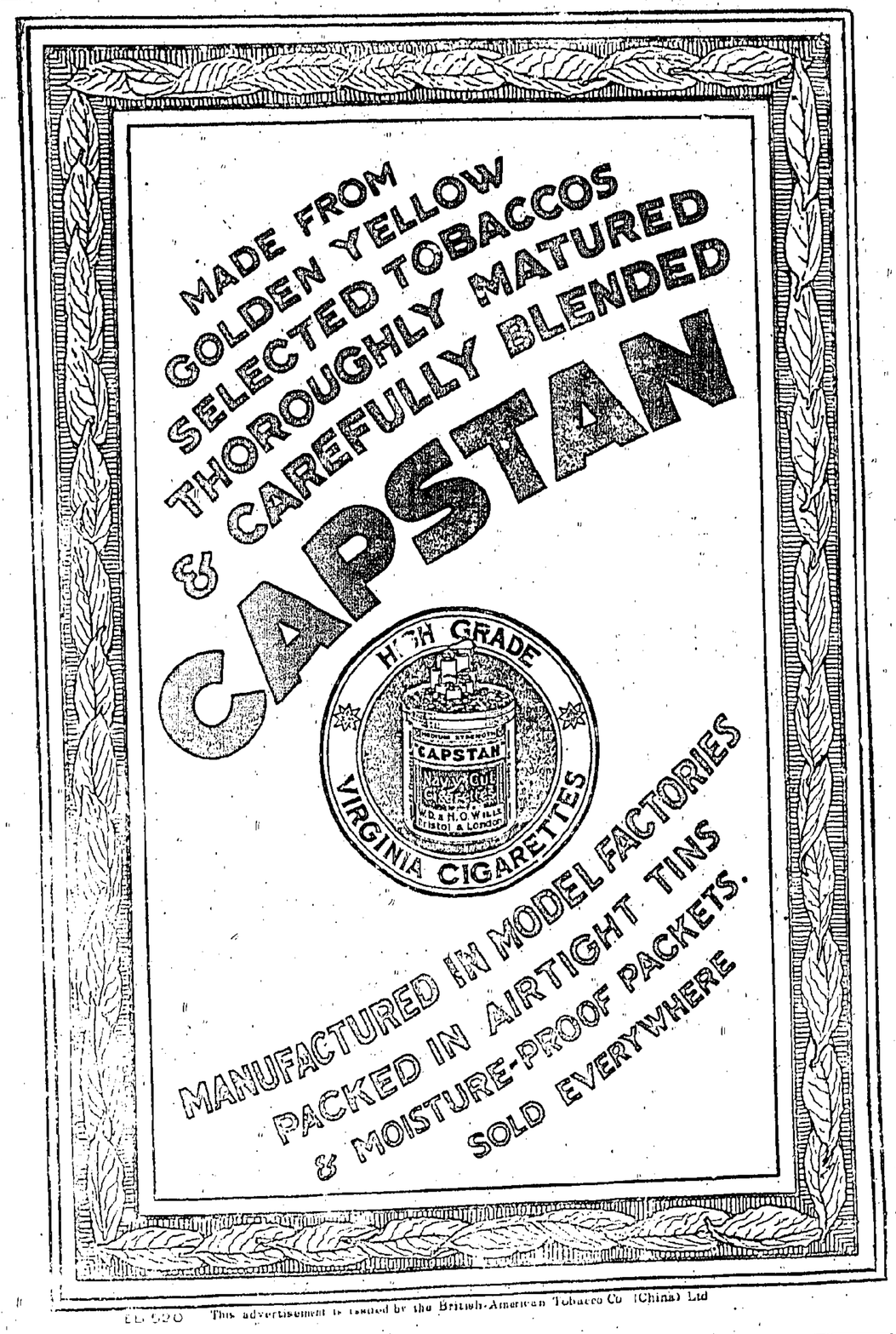
Inhabitants Alarmed.

The fire reached its climax when the roof of the building crashed. No precautions were spared to prevent the fire assuming serious proportions. From witin a few minutes of the alarm being given engines poured in tarough the gates, but quick as they were, the fire had got a strong hold on the building and the flames lit up the arsenal for a great distance.

A fire in the arsenal is, of course, a serious thing, and if it had not been got under as quickly as it was, still more fire engines would have been called from London. Inhabitants of Woolwich naturally felt alarmed. Some people left the local places of amusement when they heard a fire had broken out in the arsenal. Special appliances were sent from the fire brigade headquarters, and the most up-to-date apparatus for dealing with dangerous fires held in readiness in case the fire spread to the danger zone.

It is supposed (concludes the *Sketch* account) that the outbreak originated among some oil stored in the building for hardening purposes. The building was practically destroyed.

Great secrecy was observed by the arsenal officials with regard to the cause of the outbreak, and a *Daily Mail* reporter was refused all information. It is understood, however, that the fire was one of a series of four in the same department during the last twelve months.



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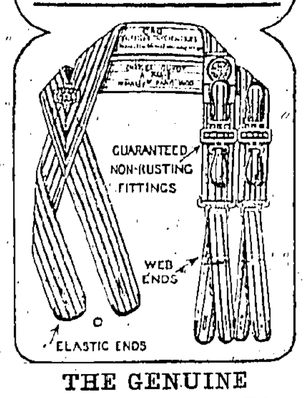

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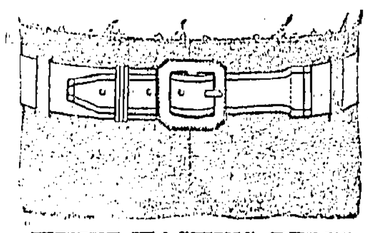

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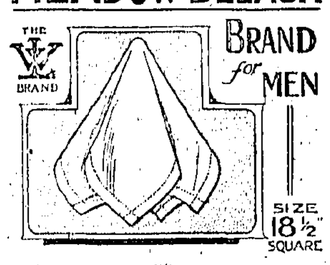

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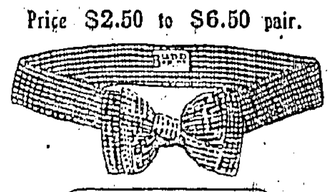

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I think I may fittingly conclude my brief summary of the career of Pljk Smkff, the famous Jugo-Czecho-Slavakian composer, by giving a few details of the man himself, which I trust may prove provocative of a wider appreciation and deeper understanding of his remarkable works.

He is a trifle over 5ft. tall in his socks, but much taller when standing on a chair. The hair of his head is jet black, but his beard is bright red and his eyebrows flaxen. He is a vegetarian, and subsists entirely on raw mangle-wurzels, pickles, and buttered buns. He drinks only linseed tea, red ink, and cod liver oil. His hobbies are stilt-walking and cheese-tasting. He is married, and has nine children all the same age, shape and size. He composes every day from 11.47 a.m. till mid-day, and again from 11.47 p.m. till midnight. He sleeps in a water-barrel. By religion he is a Theodolite, and by politics a Neo-Contortionist. His telephone number is Splvnk 0100110001010½. That will be all, thank you.

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The latest delicacy for Parisian gourmets, I read, is the heads of violets, which are served with salads. I only hope the gourmets will reciprocate by wearing lettuces in their button-holes.

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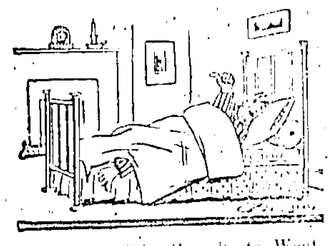
Mrs. Elinor Glyn, the novelist, in her new book, "The Wrinkle Book," says that wrinkles may be prevented if you sleep with your head to the Magnetic North. Not many people know that you can similarly avoid getting stomach-ache by sleeping with your left big toe pointing to Terra del Fuego



and your right thumb to Westminster Abbey; and that you can prevent lawn tennis elbow, rickets, botulism, quinzy, and writer's cramp by lying awake with your appendix pointing to the Tropic of Capricorn, your nose to Clapham Junction, and sticking your tongue out at Milky Way.

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When Lord Churston recently came out with his advice to potential Benedicks to marry young, I at once telegraphed to my professors the question, "At what age do you consider it most advisable to marry?" to which I have received the following replies:

Prof. Anaesthesius Bilgewater.—1066.

Prof. Linnaeus Leberwurst.—Ich kann your wire nicht verstehen. Pot mir halbb-a-crown on Oxford for a platz.

Dr. Bulkley Stodger.—My answer is a vehement "Yes."

Prof. Pifflinger Rottenbleiter.—My reply is an emphatic "No."

Prof. Evans Gayzer.—Consider dotage is only logical age in which to commit matrimony.

Sir Batts Innes-Belfry.—A lemon is the correct answer.

Prof. Barmion Crumpett.—Either Wednesday or Trafalgar Square.

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Professor Crumpett, by the way, who, as I told you last week, was intending to become a mahatma, tells me in the course of a long cable that he has already started his studies, and is fasting rigorously in order to attain the necessary subjugation of the body to the mind. Between meals, he says, he eats absolutely nothing save an occasional snack when he feels hungry. He has knocked off all drinks except spirits, wine and beer, and spends most of his time in meditation, either in bed or in

the cocktail-bar of the Smuj Hotel, at which celebrated Bombay hostelry he is once more installed, having made his peace with the management. They found indeed, that after they had kicked him out the takings in their various bars showed so lamentable a drop, that on his return to Bombay from his interrupted pilgrimage to Rajgir they practically implored him to come back and occupy his former quarters. Crumpett generously consented to overlook the past, and signalized his return by ordering champagne *ad libitum* for the entire Hotel Staff. "All day it flowed like water," he says, "and, I regret to add, tasted exactly like water too."

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Lines to My Umbrella.

Come, dear old gamp! My April's here
Once more, and I detect within her eyes
The all-too-fleeting smile, th'enduring tear,
And I'll need your protection, I surmise.
Oh, many's the quart of fluid you have caught
Upon your silken surface, and so kept
From ruin my spring suit so newly bought,
While Dead'n skies relentlessly have wept.
And many's the hat you've saved from watery fate
By your so kind protection from the rain;
My collars you have kept immaculate;
"You've saved my head from water on the brain."
Yet not for these alone I hold you dear;
To say so'd be the very worst of libs;
Have you forgotten winsome Dorothea,
Whom I first kissed beneath your shelt'ring ribs?

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A musical critic asks why it is that so many people go to sleep at classical concerts. I can only suggest that they prefer Morpheus to Orpheus.

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Mr. Ortha L. Wilnew, a student of Chicago University, has been examining old Latin literature, with a view to ascertaining what beauty preparations were used by the ladies of Ancient Rome. A face lotion recommended by Pliny, was composed (I read) of the ashes of snails mixed with honey, while a favourite unguent was extracted from the insides of crocodiles. Strange as these cosmetics may seem, I have heard of even more extraordinary ones . . . When I was translating some old Babylonic cuneiform a few years ago I came across a recipe for preserving that school-girl complexion for which the daughters of Babylon were once so famous. This specific was made from the incinerated merrythoughts of ostriches mixed with mucilage, granulated zinc, and the tags of bootlaces. I also learned that a very efficacious lip-salve could be extracted from the left-hind leg of the quagga. So you can take it from me that Mr. Wilner speaks sooth, and is not merely pulling our legs with hot air.

UNDERWRITERS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

amounted to $293,171 against $133,923 in 1925, being more than double, while overhead expenses have increased from $161,211 to $186,576, about 15 per cent., and the commission, at $107,565, has increased roughly in proportion to the increase in new business. If the same rates of conversion had been applied, the overhead expenses figure (excluding commission) would have been practically the same while the increase in income would have been 89 per cent.

In my remarks at our meeting last year I predicted that in the fourth year of the Company's working, i.e. 1927, the income in the Department would exceed all outgoings. That this prediction is likely to be fulfilled is evidenced by the fact that in the last quarter of the year under review, the income has for the first time exceeded all outgoings (including claims) the excess being some $10,000.

The amount carried to Establishment of Life Business Account is $23,073, against $94,092 in 1925, and the Account now stands at $152,649 at which figure it is unlikely to be increased, so that any further cash drain on capital on this account is improbable. In view of the Annual Premium Income on the books of over $300,000 the cost of Establishment is not excessive and we can, I think look forward to the future of this Department with confidence.

Accident Department.

The Accident Department is small but is growing, the net premiums received being $5,947, against $2,822, in 1925 or more than double while the expenses at $5,089 are slightly less than last year. The amount carried to the debit of Profit and Loss was $1,838 as compared with $4,328 in 1925. The growth of premium income while the expenses are not being increased gives promise that this Department can be developed profitably.

Share Issue.

There is one item in the Balance Sheet calling for comment. You will remember that in June, 1925, in order to provide for certain expansion then contemplated, a further issue of shares was offered to shareholders at a premium of 50 cents and that half this issue was underwritten. Owing to the financial position in the Colony brought about by the boycott the issue was not subscribed, although the date for subscription was postponed several times.

The Underwriters found it difficult, in the circumstances, to take up their share of the issue and had they done so it is probable, the shares would have been thrown on the market. In the circumstances, at the request of the Underwriters we decided, after consulting our legal advisers, to cancel the Underwriting Agreement on payment by the Underwriters of the full profit of $62,500 we should have made if they had taken up their share of the issue.

The Company, therefore, lost nothing by the cancellation except the use of the Capital which, in the circumstances then existing, was not required for the purpose intended. The profit so made, together with $3,000 premium on shares actually issued, is carried temporarily to "Premium on Shares Account," but it forms a substantial offset to the amounts carried to the debit of Profit and Loss.

Small Outstandings.

Of the amount $87,289, shown in the balance sheet as "Outstanding Premiums," $18,248 represented Life Premium Receipts in the hands of Agencies not reported at the date of account. Of the balance of $69,041, only $2,990 remains outstanding.

In the early part of the year our Manager, Mr. Farrant found it necessary, for domestic reasons, to reside in England and approached us to release him as soon as could be arranged without prejudice to the Company's interests. We regretfully acceded to his request and Mr. Sturt, the Company's Life Manager, was offered and accepted the position of Manager and Secretary.

Among other novelties at the Drapery Exhibition is the Charleston rubber knee pad which is designed for the use of ladies who are learning that much discussed dance. I understand that if by accident the knees are brought into more or less violent contact the pad acts as a shock absorber and prevents bruising, says a London writer. I cannot say that I have heard of anything in the nature of football-knee being caused by the flat dance; but it is doubtless well to be on the safe side. Possibly a collision mat for use in overcrowded ball-rooms will be the next development of modern invention.

DISUNITED EUROPE.

ARMAMENTS PREFERRED TO PRODUCTION.

Genva, May 6.

At the Economic Conference, Mr. Layton (Britain) said the European problem would not be solved until the nations themselves acted. The object they had in view would not be attained simply by the establishment of an organisation for co-operation such as proposed by M. Jouhaux yesterday.

Mr. Layton and several of his colleagues were of opinion that the less complicated and the more elastic the plan the more useful it would prove.

They pointed out that there were 11,000 kilometres of new customs barriers in Europe, and the population had at least 10,000,000 souls without productive work, while G.$2,250,000,000 was annually spent on armaments. These were symptoms of a disunited Europe. —*Reuter.*

DINNER AT VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS.

Monday evening's gathering at Volunteer Headquarters on the occasion of the dinner and concert of the Armoured Car and Mounted Infantry Companies and the Fanling Hunt. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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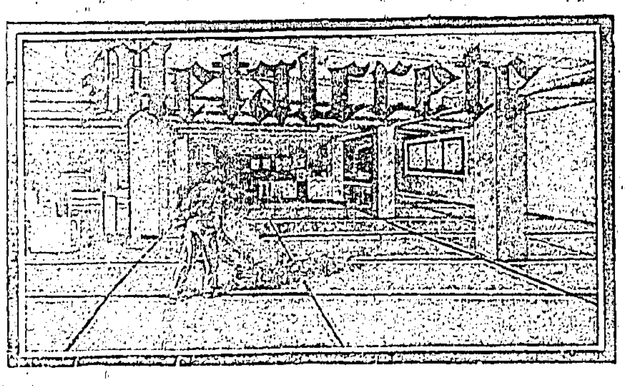

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Australia as a land of big wages and short hours (for the townsman), and as a land of many strikes, was described by the Rev. Dr. Norman Maclean, St. Cuthbert's Moderate-Designate of the Church of Scotland, during the course of a lecture, "The Scot at the Antipodes, his exploits and his humour," which he delivered in the United Free Church Assembly Hall, Edinburgh, recently.

Dr. Maclean said there was a great change over the spirit of Australia. Big cities were eating up the continent. The amazing thing was that in 90 years the city of Melbourne had grown to one million inhabitants. Half the population of the State of Victoria were massed in one city. Overgrown cities had been in all ages the graveyards of civilisation.

The reason for this feature of Australia was that they had adopted a policy of encouraging their own industries. It looked a right enough policy. They shut out the manufactured goods of other countries by tariff, and, under its protection, a great wage bill could be paid, because the factory was secure of selling its products at inflated prices. The poor man working on the land paid for it.

The lowest wage for unskilled workmen in Melbourne was £4, 17s. 6d., and the native who could not count beyond five could not be employed unless he was paid £2 per week. The native knew nothing about money, and the wage had to be paid on his behalf to a policeman. He wondered who was going to watch the policeman. (Laughter.) The man on the land was doomed to lifelong slavery.

In the city there was a 44-hours week, unlimited cinemas, and a race meeting every second day.

The Government of Australia was really in the hands of Trades Hall. They fixed everything. In this country they thought it had to have so many strikes, but in Australia the strike was the order of every day. There was an instance in which men working at bridge construction struck with the demand that either the direction of the wind should be changed or they must have 25 per cent. more wages. (Laughter.)

"Boom, Borrow, or Burst."

The man on the land could not export what he produced. The expenses of carriage would eat up his profits. There was no hope, in the present condition of things, for people being able to start on the land to their own advantage. One Scotsman had summed it up by saying that it was boom or borrow or burst, and they were getting to the burst stage. (Laughter.) Now they were building another city, Canberra, which would be a marvel, on borrowed money.

The cause of much of the evil was that Australia had committed a great blunder in establishing a purely secular system of education.

In Melbourne, in Cup week, the whole population had a perfect passion for gambling, and in that city on Saturday morning, when splendid motor cars were going away to the country or the seaside, there was a wee trickle of people making their way to the churches. They saw then the fruits of secular education.

The problem of Australia was the filling-up of her empty spaces, and she was changing it into the problem of building up bloated and overgrown cities. But there were wonderfully encouraging things in Australia, such as the courage, hope, and bravery of the ministers who were holding up the flag of religion. Australia had many drawbacks. There were no mountains with eternal snow, there was no equable climate, there were no rivers; but the Australian would, sooner or later, solve the problems which were facing him. His soul would awake. Not many Australians would qualify for the eldership in St. Giles' Cathedral, but for kindness and generosity they had no match in the world. (Applause.)

Dr. Maclean, in replying to a vote of thanks, moved by Lord Constable, said that they owed a debt to Australia they could never repay for her part in the war. The Australians were the most loyal people on earth. They loved the British Empire, in which in time Australia would be the predominant partner. (Laughter.)

SECRET REPORTS.

JURY'S COMPLAINT OF OFFICIALDOM.

Strong criticisms of the local coast-watching arrangements were made at Morwenstow, Cornwall, recently, by an inquest jury after they had returned a verdict of "washed ashore dead" on Cyril Webb, fireman, Cardiff, one of the seven victims of the Cardiff steam trawler Muira, which foundered near Bude in a gale. The jury's points were:

The coast-watching arrangements at Morwenstow in thick weather do not appear to be satisfactory.

In view of the weather on Tuesday night the coast watcher should have been at his station.

Edward James Hughes, coast watcher of Woodford—in charge of the coast during the war and since—who heard of the wreck the following morning, should have telephoned immediately and personally to Bude for the rocket apparatus.

The jury protested against the withholding of the Board of Trade instructions, regulations, and official weather reports, as stated in the evidence of Mr. Carter, the district officer, "as this obstructs them in the performance of their duty."

Watcher's Evidence.

Hughes, giving evidence, said that when he went to bed at ten o'clock on Tuesday night the weather was beautifully clear. He heard about the wreck from Page, the wireless operator, one of the Muira survivors.

He first told his wife to telephone to Bude, and then ran to the scene of the wreck; four men were clinging to the riggings. Next he went to the watch-hut for the life-saving apparatus—the only hope, as he considered that a life-boat would have been smashed.

His orders for coast watching were to go out when sent and use his own discretion. He did not agree that he lost time.

A juryman asked if it was not better for the life-boat to go out from Bude or Pastow on a cock and bull story rather than to risk men's lives.

Hughes—The lives should be saved first, but I had to investigate before I could send the orders.

Weather Reports.

Frederick William Carter, divisional officer of coastguards, explained that Hughes had to watch the coast as far as he could see, but had no part to patrol. If necessary he (Carter) should have instructed Hughes to go on watch.

Asked to quote the official weather report of Tuesday night, he said his instructions were that application for official records should be made to the Board of Trade.

He was not allowed to disclose the instructions given to watchmen without the sanction of the Board of Trade.

Richard William Page, the wireless operator, of King's Road, Aylesbury, described how the Muira ran into a dense fog on Tuesday night and went on the rocks. He sent out wireless messages until the mast was carried away.

Afterwards he was washed overboard, and was 90 minutes in the water before he got ashore.

He failed in his first attempt to scramble up the cliff, and so waited until dawn.

HOAX VENDETTA.

SERIES OF "JOKES" ON TWO GIRLS.

Two girls trying to retrieve their family fortune in business in the West End, London, have been tormented for several months by a long series of hoaxes.

The victims are the Misses Kathleen and Eulalie Wolseley, and belong to a branch of the family of the famous Field-Marshal. Both are still in their teens.

When a *Daily Chronicle* representative called at their gown and millinery shop in Woodstock Street they were absent from business, both ill.

Miss Eulalie has been seriously ill for some time, and her sister had broken down under the strain after a visit of an undertaker sent by the practical joker.

I was in the shop when he came, said Mrs. Wolsley. He said he had come in response to a telephone call to measure the corpse. Both Kathleen and I hastened to the flat where Eulalie was lying.

We never remembered the hoaxer until we reached the flat, and then Kathleen's nerves went to pieces.

A little while ago the representative of a firm the girls deal with came and mildly rebuked them for not telling his employers the plight they were in.

It transpired that his firm had been informed again by telephone that Avril, Ltd., the name my daughters trade under, had gone bankrupt and intended clearing out at the end of the week.

False Fire Alarm.

Only last week a terrible commotion was caused in the street by the arrival of the fire brigade. The officer said they had been informed that our shop was blazing furiously.

Just before Christmas a huge cart bearing a ton of coal and a ton of coke stopped outside the shop. It had been ordered the driver said, for delivery to Avril, Ltd., and he hung about the place for ages, it seemed, wondering what to do with it.

All these things are helping to ruin my daughters' business, and I have asked Scotland Yard to help to put a stop to it.

My daughters keep themselves to themselves, and I cannot help thinking that there are people about here who think they are snobbish. They are not, although they never take to anyone outside their own class.

The Misses Wolseley opened their shop about two years ago, and on arrival the second morning found that the premises had been burgled. The entire stock, with the exception of one gown, had been stolen.

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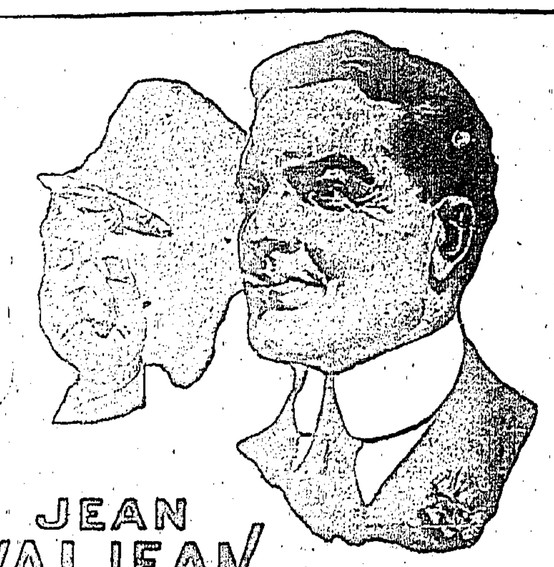

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PART OF SHANGHAI'S VOLUNTEER UNIT.

The Light Gun Battery, S.V.C., in martial array on the Shanghai Public Recreation Ground. The Light Gun Company consists of five nationalities by its constitution, the 76 members of which it is formed being divided into five sub-sections, which represent Denmark, Holland, Switzerland, Sweden and Norway. The battery consists of four 2.75-in. guns of the Indian Mountain Gun type, mounted on special lorries, to be used for street fighting. The O.C. is Captain L. M. Cosgrave, D.S.O., other officers being Lt. R. A. Kroulen and Lt. R. Bringert.

FRESH ARRIVALS

ON SALE EVERYWHERE

WOMAN'S WORLD

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LEARNING TO DANCE.

THROUGH THE BRAIN OR THROUGH THE EYE.

Some of us who know only a little about dancing but are interested in it have wondered whether all people learn to dance in the same way, and have felt nearly sure that they don't. Some pupils surely have an eye for steps just as you may have an eye for stitches in a pattern. They can plant their footsteps in those of the teacher as easily as if the teacher's were visible after, she has performed them. This, of course, is only a part of the acquiring of the art of dancing, but it is an important part, and those who have the "eye" gift are enviable.

In his book, "Modern Ballroom Dancing" Mr. Victor Silvester enlightens us on such points. To do a thing oneself and be able to explain it in such a manner that knowledge will be imparted to others are quite different things, he reminds us. So that if explanations given to any one pupil are not successful the teacher "should be more observant and think out not only one but several ways of explaining the same movement or step; she should study the psychology of her pupils.

Intelligent Teaching.

"Some people learn through the brain, others through the eye. The same explanation of a dance will not make it clear to both pupils. A few moments' conversation tells one a lot; and it is the wrong method to try and 'pull' your pupils through their dance for those who learn through the brain will learn nothing in this way. To be able to analyse each step and movement and explain the correct balance is absolutely necessary to the teacher who wishes to be successful, and for that reason she should make an exhaustive study of the theory of dancing before she even attempts to teach....

"A teacher should treat a dancing lesson in the same way that a builder builds a house and an author writes a story; it should be 'built up.' By that I mean it should have some foundation—position, balance, hold, time, should be explained first—steps last, though the pupil asks for them first....

"Dancing comes easily to some, to others it is hard, therefore much patience is required."

DAINTY DANCE FROCK.

A tunic dance dress in sea-green georgette embroidered in crystals and pearl beads. It opens over a slip of palest pink georgette, the shoulder knot shading from deep rose to palest pink with a backing of green leaves.

ON BEAUTY.

THE REFLECTION OF THE INFINITE.

It is probably true that nothing we know so stirs the heart and kindles the mind as the sight or the thought of a beautiful thing, writes Arthur Mee. Life, in sunshine or rain, is beautiful. We look out upon the world on a summer's day and see this age-old earth with its youth renewed, and we think it like a dream. We walk through a wood when the red leaves are falling, and we think it all a miracle. We look out across the fields when they are white with snow, and are thrilled at the sight of all this majesty. And then awakes the joy of spring, when all the earth comes leaping up. And the wonder is too great for words. Perhaps, after all, the world is just a dream, God's dream.

We see in the changing beauty of the earth the everlasting weaving of that living garment of God of which the greatest German spoke. It was another great German who taught us to look on beauty as the reflection of the infinite, and it was a Frenchman teaching us to place beauty among the great virtues, who declared that the beautiful gives us the highest revelation of God that we are allowed to see.

And so it is that there is something in us all that loves the beautiful. Wrought into the heart of a beautiful thing is the spirit of truth itself. The more we love beauty the more beautiful we are. The loveliness of a country girl is centuries old, said Richard Jefferies, and Wordsworth has shown us how, when Nature makes a lady of her own, even the beauty born of murmuring sound shall pass into her face. That is not the beauty born in Bond Street, bought in sixpenny boxes; it is the beauty of which we can cry:

O thou art fairer than the evening air,
Clad in the beauty of a thousand stars.

It is the beauty of which Socrates was thinking in that prayer so long ago: "I pray Thee, O God, that I may be beautiful within." He was not fair to outward view, but was ever life more beautiful than his?

Everywhere around us beauty lies, spreading itself about the earth, working its way into human life, sinking for ever into the hearts of men. All through the year, all round the world, all down the age, we find it. Oft we have travelled in this realm of gold; some of us have been travelling through it ten years, twenty years, fifty years, and the farther we go, the older we grow, the more beautiful is life's garden.

Truly the world is a beautiful place, and life is a beautiful thing. We gather what fruits we will as we wander through life's garden.

OUR FASHIONS.

Sleeves are long on every day frock, except a few sports ones. Some are full just above the cuff, some narrow here, but very wide at the armhole. These "batwing" or Dolman sleeves will be seen a good deal on really summery frocks.

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Shoes for day wear are either pumps, one-strap shoes, or "Oxfords"—that is to say, low-cut laced shoes. With clothes of the sports type, the latter are the newest and smartest. For evening there are satin pumps, and a huge assortment of strapped and sandal shapes. But if you are out to dazzle, you must, somehow or other, get hold of a pair of jewelled heels—the stones, of course, matching your frock.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE.

COCOA CREAM CANDY.

Mix together 4 tablespoonfuls icing sugar and 2 tablespoonfuls boiling water until smooth, add 4 tablespoonfuls cocoa and 15 drops vanilla essence, and beat till creamy. Dust the hands with sugar, and roll the mixture into small balls, taking up ½ teaspoonful at a time. Dust a plate with sugar, and lay on it the balls. Leave them to dry for 2 hours; then roll in finely chopped nuts or almonds.

From Paris we learn that "sleeves are long on every day frock except a few sports ones." Though Hongkong is not likely to follow this rule too closely, many long sleeved frocks will be seen this summer. The Dolman Sleeve—which is attracting so much attention at Home — is quite loose enough not to cause discomfort in our hot summer and should be very popular. Pictured above are three dresses with long sleeves which, though not of the very latest style, are eminently suitable for summer wear. The model on the left is fashioned from the modish moire silk. It is in a rich Sapphire blue shade, the jabot, collar and cuffs being in cream georgette. Printed and plain voile combine to make the effective frock pictured in the centre. The printed material is in Forget-me-not blue and white, and forms the back and sides of the gown, while the centre front panel and the sleeves and collar are in plain voile. The kilted frill to the collar and the long ends of the darker blue ribbon are delightfully dainty. The original of the dress on the right was in chartreuse green crepe de chine and beige georgette, the georgette being used for the shaped lower half of the skirt and the puffs, cuffs, collar and tie.

OVER THE TEA CUPS.

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BY "JOAN.")

London, March 24.

The bolero vogue still endures, and here we have an effective combination of satin and lace which is delightful either for small evening affairs or afternoon. I have frequently emphasised the advantages of the coatee and bolero style, in that it is possible by this means to convert a sleeveless semi-evening frock into a day one, and ring the changes in all sorts of ways. It is superfluous to suggest colour schemes for such a combination, because you will select your own, but coloured lace or issue over black can look very delightful; whilst biscuit-coloured satin and bronze lace are a novel and attractive idea. Of course to anyone who studies the trend of fashion, it is obvious that the popular coatee or blouse-coat is the metamorphosis of the uninspiring "woolly."

Try This!

In giving you a few little vegetarian dishes, I don't want you to think that I am following in the footsteps of Mr. George Bernard Shaw and a few other less eminent people with tendencies like unto those of the late lamented Nebuchadnezzar, but I just thought they might come in useful. For instance Lentil Balls are an attractive little dish, served with tomato sauce. To make them you cook half a pint of lentils in one-and-a-half pints of water, until quite soft; add a small onion, and then rub through a sieve. Season with pepper and salt, add a small piece of butter and bind the whole with a beaten egg. Flour your hands and form the mixtures into balls, and dip in egg and breadcrumb. Then fry in boiling fat. Another dish made easily and cooked in boiling fat (which of course all good—and some not so good!—cooks know. In be used over and over again until it become blackened) is Potato Sausages. Boil and mash some potatoes, season, and make into a stiff paste with a little beaten egg and flour. Roll out and cut into squares. Make a forcemeat with breadcrumbs, a teaspoonful of chopped herbs, a small onion grated finely and half an ounce of vegetable (or ordinary) butter. Slightly moisten the breadcrumbs with water if necessary. Mix well together and place a small quantity on each square of potato. Roll up, dust with flour and egg and breadcrumb, and cook in boiling fat. Here again the sauce which Mr. Pickwick ordered with his chops will be found a pleasing addition.

Is That So?

This week's picture is of the Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair. When I met her she had just returned from a visit to America in the capacity of President of The International Council of Women—the parent body of the National Council, about whose activities I told you something a long while ago. When I entered her room, I confess, to my undying shame, that I knew nothing whatever about the International Council. When I left it, some thirty or forty minutes afterwards, I knew quite a lot, and—owing to the tact and kindness of heart of Lady Aberdeen—I had not been made to feel small in the course of acquiring the knowledge. (I don't like to flatter myself to the extent of suggesting that my crass ignorance never became apparent during the interview; but as you are women, you may perhaps understand how these things are done. For after all, do we not spend our lives trying to hide our ignorance and become the worthy helpmeets of men?—Ahem!) Lord Aberdeen, whom I met at the same time, is just like a picture from "Peter Ibbetson," and he told me a funny story about the weather in Scotland, at which I of course laughed heartily; but there must be something subtle about Scotch humour or Scotch weather, because I haven't seen the point yet. No—there is really nothing Scotch about *me*, although you might be inclined to think so from the preceding narrative.

The Street of Adventure.

This week I have been having a delightful orgy of literature, all the books being either by, or very much appertaining to, members of our sex. First in order of importance comes "Tomek the Sculptor (Thornton Butterworth) by Adelaide Eden Phillpotts, daughter of the great Dartmoor novelist. The author traces the life of a Bohemian peasant who is born to be a sculptor, and becomes one for three very good reasons: One, because he is an artist; two because he is an egoist of the supreme variety; three because he has a devoted and self-sacrificing mother. No very unusual combination of circumstances, I'm afraid. The sculptor never interested me—but Miss Phillpotts did.

Then we have "Dream Island" by Florence Riddell (Geoffrey Bles)—a most delightful tale, and one that I earnestly recommend to while away an evening. Lovers on a desert island, but not alone, and—wonder of wonders—they are not cast there by ship-wreck. They have enough, more than enough, in fact, to eat; and when the girl kills a man (who well deserves it) she doesn't let it worry her in the least, or spoil the rest of her life, but sensibly sits down to a breakfast of the most exclusive tinned commodities ..... And there is humour too. Yes; altogether a very eminently readable book.

"The Girl in the Art Class" (Hutchinson) is by Jan Gordon, one of the opposite sex, who, in a foreword, admits that he owes all he knows about Raymonde (the heroine) to a woman. In this case, I can only say that Jan Gordon has absorbed the information given him in a way that has enabled him to turn out a book which bears no trace of the "second-hand". There is little or no plot, and the tale is a narrative of an art-student's life in London and Paris. If there's anything you don't know, read it.

THE IDEAL HOME.

WHERE THE AMERICAN HOUSEWIFE SCORES.

We are hearing a lot about the ease and simplicity with which an American housewife runs her home, but it is not all a matter of labour-saving appliances, or domesticated husband and children. American women do have more labour-saving devices than we have. And the fact that American husbands and American children are willing and able to help in the running of the house does help a lot.

These, however, are not the only reasons why an American woman without a maid can have finished all her housework and appear immaculately attired and elegantly waved, ready for a day of work or pleasure, at 10 o'clock in the morning, or even earlier.

Smoke-Free Atmosphere.

Because of the climate, the kind of house, and the habit of living, there is far less work in an American house than there can ever be in ours. In the first place it is cleaner. There is no smoke in American, because no "soft coal," or coal as we understand it, is used there. Only anthracite, or "hard coal," as it is called, is burnt, for trains, machinery, or domestic purposes, and the difference in the cleanliness of the house is remarkable.

Then they have central heating and comparatively few open fires. There may be a log fire in the sitting-room if it is very cold, but this will be the only one, and even that is exceptional. That means there are no fires to do, and no coal to be carried. The furnace doesn't come within the province of the mistress of the house; either her husband will attend to it or a man will be engaged to come in regularly to keep it going. Sometimes there is a kitchener in the kitchen, but usually the cooking is done by gas or electricity, and the water heated by the same means.

Owing to the intense heat in the summer, when any unnecessary piece of furniture may obstruct a welcome breath of air, and when all curtains are taken down so that there may be nothing impede what air there is, very little furniture is found in an American house. There are few "laid" carpets, most of the floors, upstairs and down, and the broad uncarpeted stairs are made of hard wood, which is kept in excellent condition by being rubbed over with a mop every day. Rugs are strewn about, but they are easily moved, and as few of the reception rooms have doors—or if they have they are of the sliding variety and seldom used—all the downstairs part of the house can be cleaned in one operation.

No Unnecessary Furniture.

The bedrooms, with their built-in cupboards, are furnished just as simply, there is no unnecessary furniture, and of course everyone uses the bathroom for washing, so no water has to be carried upstairs or carried away.

Shoe-cleaning is a matter for personal attention in America and is not a part of the household routine. Shoes need little cleaning anyhow, so that a 15c. shoe shine, to be obtained in any town, however small, will last a long time, with an occasional rub with a duster.

There are no sculleries in American houses, a sink always being built in to the kitchen, so there is no scullery floor to wash or whiten, and as the houses are built up from the ground and reached by wooden steps, there are no white doorsteps to be whitened, and seldom brass door fittings to be polished. The porch, or as it is called in Hongkong the verandah, which is a feature of American architecture, helps to keep the house clean, as children can play there in bad weather, and dirty shoes or rubbers are left there instead of being brought into the house.

The fact that houses are built with the ground-floor well above the level of the site, allows each to have a dry cellar under the entire structure, and this gives ample space to instal the furnace, the preserve and vegetable stores, and often a servants' bathroom. Half the cellar is given up to laundry purposes; porcelain tubs are fixed against one way, electric or other appliances are kept and used there, and wooden driers from the ceiling permit of the clothes being dried indoors if the day is a bad one. This means that the washing can be done without any inconvenience to the rest of the household, for there is usually a special fire in the laundry for heating the water, and the whole operation can be accomplished without interfering at all with the domestic routine.

Earlier Meal-times.

The meal too are simpler than ours, and are usually served earlier, which makes it easier for a housewife to finish her work. Many offices start work at 8.30, so breakfast at 7.30 is very usual, and early morning tea very unusual. A light lunch at 12.30 or 1 o'clock takes little time to prepare, tea as a meal is unknown in an average middle-class American household, and a simple dinner of soup or salad, meat, and sweet at 6.30 will be the last meal of the day. This means that the woman who does her own work can be finished for the day at 8 o'clock with ease, which is impossible here where dinner is often served at 8 o'clock and later.

As the house is always pleasantly warm, hot water bottles are not needed, so when madame has disposed of dinner there is nothing more to think of till breakfast the next day.

Housewives would benefit greatly by the use of more labour-saving devices, but even with the aid of every known appliance for saving work, our homes will still be more difficult to run, until we plan them differently and change our style of living very considerably.

WHEN MADAME WRITES.

DAINTY DESK EQUIPMENT.

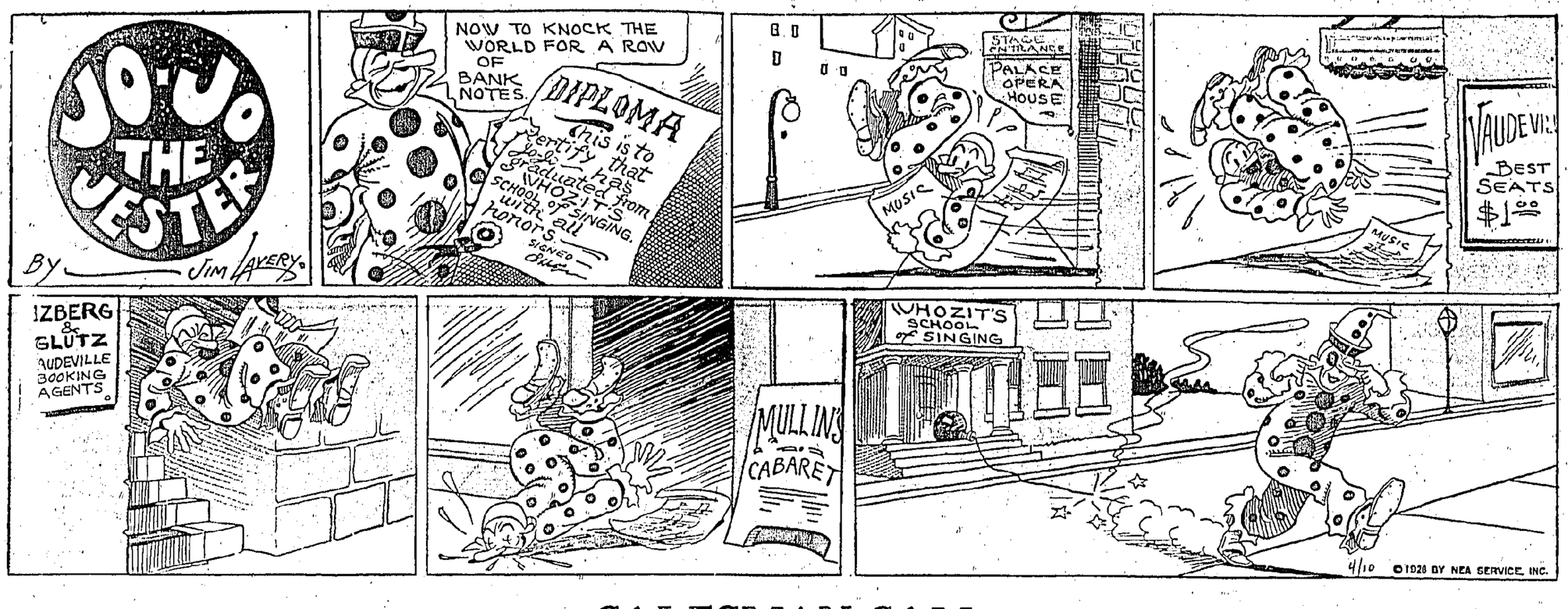
It is a commonplace that the tools of one's trade have a demoniac facility for getting lost or out of order. Desk appurtenances are particularly perverse. Take pens. One of their faults is to begin to scratch directly one has induced them to hold a reasonable amount of ink.

Desk drawers are a worry, especially those that stick or shuffle their contents to the rear and force them over the back wall. Unless the drawer fits very badly the first defect usually yields to soft soap; but for the second a partition parallel to the front of the desk is the only remedy. Have each subdivision made the size of the paper it is destined to hold and there will be small chance of its contents escaping.

For paper-knife have one with a well-tempered blade and a sensible handle, and do not stint a desk of efficient paper-weights.

A BOLERO MODE.

A charming example of the bolero mode which seems likely to prevail for at least another season. This model is in satin and lace.



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THE WORLD of SPORT

BIG HOME CRICKET SCORES.

SEVEN CENTURIES BY OLD FAVOURITES.

M.C.C. BEAT SURREY.

London, May 6.

Playing at Nottingham, Essex won on the first innings against Nottinghamshire. The scores were:—

Essex, 253 and 340, for eight wickets (declared).

Notts, 185, and 188 for seven wickets.

In Essex's second innings, O'Connor scored 124. The highest scorers for Notts were Lilley 61, and Whysall 51. Nicholls took five wickets for 65 runs.

An Innings' Victory.

Playing at Folkestone, Kent beat Worcestershire by an innings and 85 runs. The scores were:—

Worcester 236 and 179.

Kent, 504.

Higgins was the only Worcester player to make much of a stand, making 65. For Kent, Chapman scored 158, Ames 90 and Wright 60.

Lancashire Win.

Playing at Oxford, Lancashire won by eight wickets against Oxford University. The scores were:—

Oxford, 244 and 159.

Lancashire, 376 and 28 for two wickets.

For Oxford University, Newman made 92, the bowling havoc being caused by R. Tyldesley who took five wickets for 36 runs. In the second innings, Macdonald took five for 48 runs.

For Lancashire, Hallows scored 100, and Watson 92.

Drawn Match.

The match between Cambridge University and Yorkshire, played at Cambridge, resulted in a draw. The scores were:—

Yorkshire, 382 and 295 for three wickets (declared).

Cambridge, 372 and 85 for three wickets.

In Yorkshire's first innings, Oldroyd made 114, Rhodes 73 and Leyland 54, Allom taking seven wickets for 98 runs. In Yorkshire's second knock, Sutcliffe made 87 and Leyland 77 (not out).

For Cambridge Duleep Sinhji scored 101, Dawson 68 and Margan 60.

M.C.C. Beat Surrey.

Playing at Lords, the M.C.C. beat Surrey by an innings and seven runs. The scores were:—

Surrey 326 and 125.

M.C.C. 458.

For Surrey, Sandham made 106 and Hobbs 61. In the second innings, Hearne took four wickets for 42 runs and Calthorpe took four for 35.

For the M.C.C. Hearne made 112, Hendren 136 and M. Lyon 88.—*Reuter.*

SPANISH BOXER'S SUSPENSION.

U.S. BAN MAY PREVENT DEMPSEY BOUT.

New York, May 6.

The authorities have refused to lift the suspension of Paolino. Thus the projected match fixed for July 9 against Dempsey is most problematical.—*Reuter's American Service.*

[Paolino was suspended on April 27 for failure to box Ed. Keeley in Boston on April 18, as previously agreed.]

DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

SOUTH AFRICAN SUCCESSES.

Dublin, May 6.

Playing in the Davis Cup, Condon, of South Africa, beat Campbell, of Ireland, by 3-6, 2-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4.

Spence (South Africa) beat St. John Mahony (Ireland), 6-2, 6-3, 8-6.—*Reuter.*

Britons Beat Swedes.

London, May 6.

Playing at Birmingham in the Davis Cup, Higgs (Britain) beat Malmstrom (Sweden), 3-6, 6-3, 6-0, 3-6, 6-2.

Kingsley (Britain) beat Garell (Sweden), 6-2, 6-1, 7-5.—*Reuter.*

RUGBY SPLIT?

ENGLISH THREAT TO BREAK AWAY.

James Baxter, the president of the English Rugby Union, speaking last month in London at the annual dinner of the London Society of Rugby Union Referees, made some very trenchant remarks. "I had hoped," he said, "to come here to-night with good news from the International Board meeting of last Friday week. Unfortunately, the proposals which the English Union put forward were not agreed to. We thought—and we did not come to a decision without very earnest consideration of the subject—that our proposals were for the good of the game. Other people saw different."

But, continued Mr. Baxter, the time has arrived when the English Union can say, "How long are we going to allow ourselves to be tied down?" I speak with deliberation and full knowledge of the importance of my words. In a just cause the English Union can stand alone, and if the time comes for them to adopt such an attitude, they are quite competent to stand alone and carry on. Those who stand and wait can come in again when they have learnt their lesson.

As long as the English Union retains the confidence of the Rugby world it can stand unaided. We have advanced a step, not perhaps as far as we might have gone, with regard to representation of our Overseas Dominions, and next season, when the New South Wales team is with us, we shall see and know the kind of men who will be called upon to represent their country in the future deliberations of the game.

Mr. Baxter's remarks, says a correspondent of the *Daily Chronicle*, are obviously directed against the Scottish Union. The English Union have been working to secure one code of laws for Rugby throughout the world, but have found unsurmountable obstacles in the attitude of the Scottish rulers, hence Mr. Baxter's outburst last night.

The attention of the president of the Scottish Rugby Union, J. Aikman Smith, was drawn to the above report. Mr. Aikman Smith said that as he had not had time to study the statement, he declined to make any observations.

International Meeting Echo.

Mr. James Baxter, when saying in his startling speech at the referees' dinner "How long are we going to allow ourselves to be tied down?" and following up that question with the announcement, "In a just cause the Rugby Union can stand alone, and if the time comes for them to adopt such an attitude they are quite competent to stand alone and carry on," was complaining, writes the Press Association special Rugby representative, of what occurred at the meeting of the International Board on the eve of the Scotland and England match. At that gathering, the decision that there should be an Imperial conference held at intervals of not more than three years, and that the membership should consist of the members of the International Board and two representatives each of South Africa, New Zealand, and New South Wales, was, in face of the suggestions of the Dominions for certain changes in the laws of the game, practically nullified by a resolution that no important alterations in the law of the game should be made during the next three years. To this decision the Rugby Union object, and the speech of the president clearly implies that that body may take action which, in acknowledging the claim of the Dominions, might lead to a breach with the home Unions.

Disputes between these bodies are no new thing in the history of Rugby football. So far back as 1885 the England and Scotland match fell through owing to trouble over the game of the previous years, Scotland objecting to a score by England, and the Rugby Union insisting that the decision of a referee upon a matter of fact must not be impeached. Scotland eventually gave way, and the fixtures were resumed, but trouble broke out again in 1887-88 over the constitution of the International Board, the Rugby Union, with as many clubs in membership as there were in Scotland, Ireland, and Wales combined, insisting upon proportional representation. For two seasons the dispute continued, and England played no international matches. Eventually the matter was submitted to the arbitration of Major Marindin, the then president of the Football Association, and Lord Kingsburgh, a Scottish Judge, who gave the Rugby Union six representatives, and Scotland, Ireland, and Wales two representatives apiece. Some time later, when the formation of the Northern Union led to a material reduction in the number of clubs affiliated to the Rugby Union, the number of England's representatives on the Board was reduced to four, a number at which it still remains.

AMERICAN TENNIS VICTORIES.

GERMAN PLAYERS DEFEATED.

Berlin, May 6.

Playing here in lawn tennis matches, the American "cracks" who are on a visit meeting German experts, Hunter defeated Landemann, 6-2, 6-1, 9-7, and Tilden defeated Frotzheim, 6-3, 6-2, 6-4.—*Reuter.*

TRICK BILLIARDS.

REECE MAKES BREAK OF 6,417.

London, May 6.

Reece, still playing against Peall at Thurston's completed a pendulum cannon billiards break of 6,417.—*Reuter.*

ECONOMICS.

GOOD WISHES.

Geneva, May 6.

At the economic conference M. Theunis read a telegram from the Pan-American Commercial conference at Washington expressing warmest wishes and hoping Labour's economic conference would contribute toward the reconstruction of Europe and the amelioration of living conditions of all nations (Applause). M. Theunis is sending a telegram of thanks in the name of the conference.—*Reuter.*

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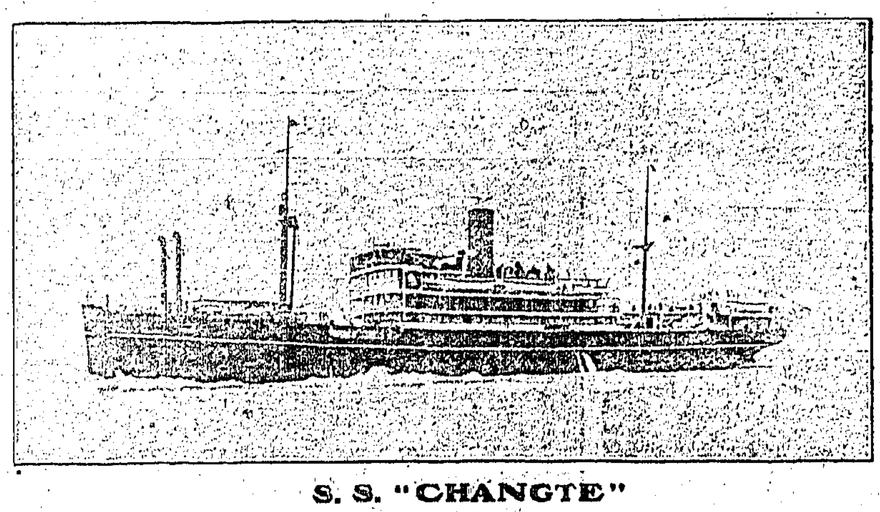

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TSINGTAU S'tow, N'po, S'hai	Hangsang	Sun. 8th May at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Mausang	Mon. 9th May at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK via Singapore	Yuensang	Tues. 10th May at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU Swatow & S'hai	Minsang	Wed. 11th May at 7 a.m.
KOBE via Amoy, & Moji	Fooksang	Thurs. 12th May at 7 a.m.
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TSINGTAU Swatow & S'hai	Yusang	Sun. 15th May at 7 a.m.
TIENTSIN	Cheongshing	Sun. 15th May at 7 a.m.
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The case in which Asraff Ali, an Indian broker, was charged with uttering a forged $500 note at No. 52 Hollywood Road was concluded yesterday afternoon.

The last witness for the prosecution, a Chinese shroff on the paying-in counter of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, gave evidence to the effect that on the 19th April a $500 note, together with notes of other denominations, was paid over the counter by Mrs. Brent. Witness detected some flaw in the $500 note and drew Mr. J.A.D. Morrison's attention to it. Mr. Morrison took the note from him and, as far as he could say, handed it in turn to Mr. J. B. Milne, who after chopping it as a forgery handed it back to Mrs. Brent.

After this evidence, Mr. Loseby again suggested that he had no case to answer. It had not been strictly proved that the note which His Worship has seen and the note which was handed back to Mrs. Brent was the same note as the one alleged to have been spent at 52 Hollywood Road by the defendant. Mr. Loseby said that there was still a missing link insofar as the note was handed to Mr. Morrison and Mr. Morrison handed it to Mr. Milne.

His Worship: I hold that the note has been sufficiently identified by the shroff.

Guilty Knowledge.

Mr. Loseby went on to say that the prosecution in order to prove their case had to prove guilty knowledge, and this they had failed to do. It was insufficient to prove that the $500 note was passed by the defendant: they had to prove that he knew at the time of the passing that it was forged. The only evidence against his client was that he hurried away after getting the change, and that after being arrested he said he had only spent a $50 note and not $500. Even with these points before them Mr. Loseby said he failed to see how defendant had a case to answer.

Mr. Lindsell: I am also against you on that point.

Mr. Loseby: I am taking responsibility of not calling any evidence and I am prepared to address your Worship on the remarks of the prosecution. I will just take your Worship briefly through the evidence. The first evidence you have had as to this note is the evidence of the Chinese boy. Then it goes out of sight and goes into the hands of Mrs. Brent, who puts it away in the safe for some days, nearly a month. It then goes into the bank, through the hands of the shroff, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Milne and back to Mrs. Brent. Your Worship has to be satisfied that it is the same note all the way through.

There is a possibility that the note may have been changed from the time it got into the hands of the boy to the time it got into the hands of Mrs. Brent. There is also a chance of it having been changed at the bank. So long as there is a doubt, your Worship must give the benefit of the doubt to my client.

No Doubt.

His Worship: How can there be any doubt. There is no flaw in the evidence at all.

Mr. Loseby: There is no flaw, but I am suggesting there is a possibility.

Continuing, Mr. Loseby said: Mrs. Brent was unwilling to answer my question regarding the consumption of spirits in her house and she had made a statement which evidently was false when she said that no Indians went to her house. It makes the value of her evidence very slight.

With regard to leaving the house in a hurry, your Worship will recall that one of these lads wanted to go somewhere else. Mrs. Brent said she went away and, seeing that the boys had had their drink and paid for it, what reason was there for them to remain behind?"

Mr. Loseby then went on to say that he had not put his client in the box, for the simple reason that at the most, it would be his word against the word of the witnesses for the prosecution.

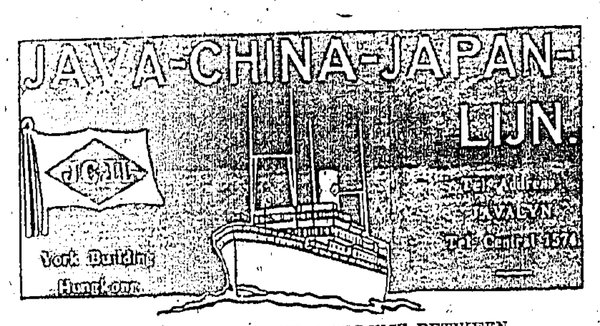
Mr. Loseby asked his Worship to imagine the difficulty confronting his client. He may have got the note from Bux or from a source which he did not want to disclose.

It is for the prosecution to prove right up to the hilt that the note is the same note and that these boys had knowledge that it was a forged one. If your Worship is satisfied your Worship can convict, but until then your Worship must discharge him.

Mr. Lindsell: I find the charge proved, and I convict defendant. The sentence is four months' hard labour.

Mr. Loseby: Might I just mention a personal matter. There seems to be an allegation that I have embarrassed Mrs. Brent. I have made no allegation and have not received instructions to make any. There is a slight mistake in one of the reports I have read, which states that I have made an allegation. I merely asked a question.

His Worship: I understand that.



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Tjikembang	S'hai, Amoy	18th May.	19th May.	Batavia
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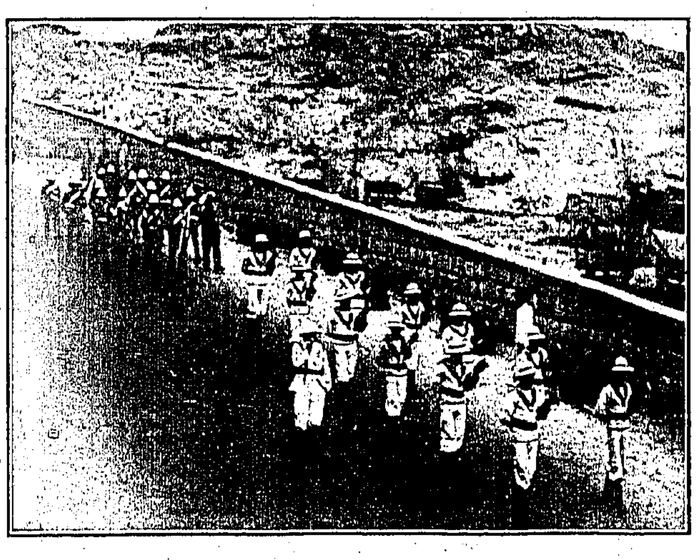

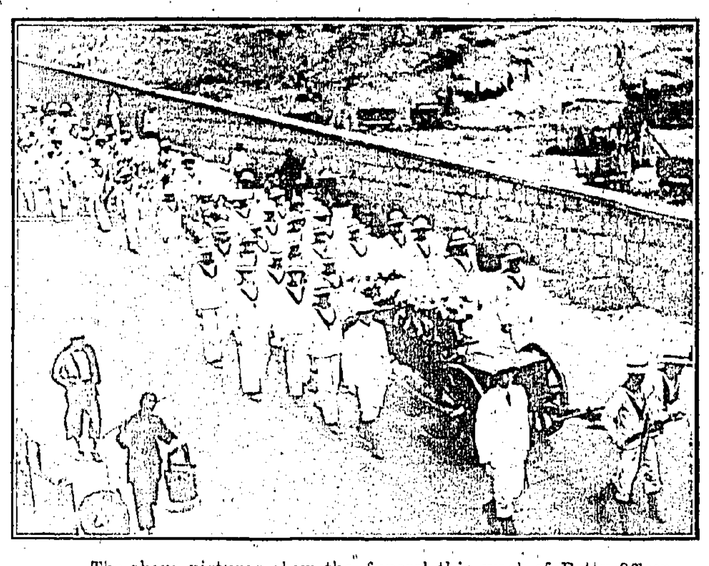

The above pictures show the funeral this week of Petty Officer Thomas Bassett, of H.M.S. Sterling, who lost his life in the harbour.

WAR FORTUNES FLUCTUATE.

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had been that 10 per cent. of all municipal revenues be devoted to the education of labourers. Another feature was that Council meetings opened with the reading of Sun Yat-sen's will, which denounces foreigners. The British members had decided that they would leave the building if this occurred again.

Suspense on the River.

Speaking on his experiences on his journey back to Shanghai, Mr. Lenox Simpson said that down-river from Hankow everything spoke of suspense. At Kiukiang the foreign community were living concentrated in a couple of houses in the centre of the Bund. At Wuhu there was stagnation. But complete lifelessness was reserved for Nanking. The entire water-front there was deserted and periodic duels between the Lion Hill forts and Pukow were occurring.

Kuomintang Susperseded.

Speaking of the general siuation, Mr. Simpson concluded: "As a party the Kuomintang in spite of pretences, has ceased to exist. What remains of the Nationalists are simply a series of separate riot-centres. It is very necessary that the Powers realise this. No Yangtsze group is capable of forming anything remotely resembling a Government. The hour has arrived when the facts will have to be faced and reconstruction attempted by force from abroad.

The navigation of the Yangtsze ought certainly to be controlled with an iron hand.

Intervention Welcome.

Mr. Simpson concluded: I am not here thinking alone of foreign interests, although it is legitimate that steps should be taken to save these from the disaster that will overwhelm them if things are allowed to drift.

I am thinking also of the tens of thousands—nay, millions—of decent Chinese who would welcome foreign intervention as the one and only thing now that will save them and their country."

The mysterious disappearance of an attache case containing important State papers belonging to the Japanese Embassy is still engaging the attention of Scotland Yard. The papers had been brought from the Continent by an official of the Embassy, who believes he must have left them in a taxicab in which he was driven from Victoria Station to the Embassy. Police officers are making inquiries in various parts of London to-day, paying special attention to taxicab garages. The Press Association understands that the case contained only documents of a diplomatic character, which were of no value to an ordinary thief.

CASH SWEEPS.

RESULTS OF MACAO DRAWING.

The winning numbers in the Cash Sweeps at the Novices races at the first annual inter-club athletic meeting held under the auspices of the International Race and Recreation Club of Macao Ltd., at the Areia Preta Racecourse on May 1 and 3 were as follows:

Cash Sweep "A" May 1.

Pony	Ticket No.	Prize
Six Hundred	44	$75.45
White Pony	141	21.30
Honey Moon	51	10.65
Whisky Soda	67	2.00

Cash Sweep "B" May 1.

Pony	Ticket No.	Prize
Glenmerin	163	$96.60
Cherry Brandy	164	27.60
Gold Star	29	13.80
Jan Ja	291	2.00

Cash Sweep "A" May 3.

Pony	Ticket No.	Prize
Jan Dor	8	$98.14
Chick To	116	28.04
Six Hundred	160	14.02
Sun Ning	84	2.00
Lucky Star	159	2.00

Cash Sweep "B" May 3.

Pony	Ticket No.	Prize
Glenmerin	129	$102.20
Areia Preta	218	29.20
U-Un	120	14.60
Jan Ja	83	2.00
Whisky Soda	165	2.00
Honey Moon	166	2.00
White Pony	6	2.00

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HEROES OF WANHSIEN DECORATED.

London, May 7.

The *London Gazette* announces that His Majesty the King has approved the award of decorations and medals to the officers and men of the Navy and Mercantile Marine, in recognition of their services at Wanhsien on September 5th, 1926, including Distinguished Service Crosses to

Lieut. Jack Peterson, of the Kiawo, and Captain Alexander Thomson, of the s.s. Wanhsien.

In addition Officerships of the British Empire Order to Captain Albert Williamson, of Kiawo, Captain Stuart Bates, of the s.s. Wantung, Lieut. Commdr. William Lalor, of the s.s. Wanliu, and Chief Engineer Kingswood, of the Kiawo.—*Reuter.*

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